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Pontoon library Carriers' drive huge success forced to close Village to attempt to fund district

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A referendum on creating and funding a library district in Pontoon Beach will most likely be on the November ballot.

At Tuesday's Village Board meeting, Mayor Glen Wilson said he would close the library the next day after Village Attorney Brian Polinske told them the village could not fund the library.

Polinske was asked to research the matter after questions about the legality of funding the library were raised at a previous board meeting. In a memo to the board read by Trustee Lou Whitsell, Polinske said the library was not legally established because a referendum to fund it was voted down in 1989.

At that time the village passed an ordinance creating a free library, with the stipulation that village funds not be used for it.

Instead, a head tax of \$1 per resident and 35 cents per acre of land was to be used. However, that proposal was defeated at the polls.

The village attempted to form the

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Mayor Glen Wilson
Pontoon Beach

library district to avoid being taken in by the Granite City Library District.

A major complaint was that village children would have to travel too far to use the library.

At first, the library was funded through private sources — including a number of fund raisers — but eventually the village began providing funding.

For the coming year, Whitsell, chairman of the Finance Committee, said approximately \$40,000 had been budgeted.

Polinske said to create a library district, petitions from 100 registered voters must be received, and a referendum passed. A tax rate of between

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Granite City postal carrier Bill Barton collects a donation from one of the residents on his route.

Residents respond to pantries' needs

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Thousands of area residents opened their cupboards and pantries Saturday as postal workers collected goods for the annual Letter Carriers Food Drive.

The carriers of the National Association of Letter Carriers AFL-CIO joined with more than 1,300 other branches nationwide collecting food for local food banks. Carriers picked up the food while delivering the day's mail.

In Granite City, carriers of Branch 1132 lead the collection efforts. The food will be distributed among several local food pantries.

Doug Winfield, a delivery supervisor at the Granite City post office, said the carriers collected approximately 12,000 pounds of food.

"It was very successful," he said. "They got more this year than last year."

The drive is the biggest in the nation, Winfield said, and the unions deserve much credit.

Yearly, the various unions collect millions of pounds of food nationwide. Mike Elliff, president of Branch 1132, said that in 1997, the carriers collected

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Labor board agrees to hear homes case

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The Illinois State Labor Relations Board has filed a formal complaint and agreed to conduct a hearing on a grievance by the union representing workers at Madison County's nursing and sheltered care homes.

The original complaint — filed April 29 by Council 31 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees — claims the county has violated state law by voting to close Madison County's nursing

Claim says Madison County violated state law

and sheltered care homes. State law requires negotiations with the union, the complaint said.

On Tuesday Buddy Maupin, regional director of the AFSCME, held a press conference to disclose that the ISLRB has granted a hearing.

"The news here today is that the labor board issued a complaint on the county," he said. "It's no longer just

our union saying they broke the law." He compared the complaint to an indictment and said the ISLRB conducted an impartial investigation and found "probable cause to conclude that the county's conduct has violated the law."

The hearing will be held in Springfield; a time has not been announced. The County Board recently voted

15-13 to close the homes because the operations are projected to continue to lose money. The board voted after two tax referendums that would have supported the continued operations were defeated in the March elections.

Residents have been given until Nov. 30 to find new homes. About one-third have already left. Maupin said union officials met

with county officials May 7 and asked if the issuing of the complaint would cause the county to reconsider its action.

Maupin said that County Administrator Jim Monday told him "the decision to refuse to bargain was a legislative decision" and only the Board could change that.

According to the complaint, the AFSCME maintains that eliminating jobs by closing the homes is a "mandatory subject of bargaining" between the union and the county.

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Second bombing incident has city resident worried

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Another small, homemade bomb has exploded at a Granite City residence.

Persons unknown set off a chemical concoction in a soda bottle about 10:30 p.m. Saturday on the 2400 block of Killarney, causing some damage to the lawn, said the home's owner.

The woman said her family had just moved in recently, and the house

had previously belonged to a police officer.

She said she heard what sounded like a shotgun blast outside the home. She found the remains of the homemade bomb on the lawn.

No one was hurt, but the woman said her daughter is scared to sleep in her room now, because the bomb exploded near her window.

"It left residue from the explosion (on the yard). There's even a bald

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'Whatever' thrills audience

By Toby Carrig
Staff writer

The marquee at the Gateway Center in Collinsville simply said "The Artist" was performing Tuesday night.

The tickets, which were priced at \$60 a pop, said "The One."

Most of the crowd attending the show were fans dating back to the days when The Artist was known as Prince.

Estimated at 1,800 people, the crowd watched The Artist display a blend of his new musical personality — old school funk played by his band, New Power Generation — with the

pop songs

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SCOTT KELLY / Press-Record



Memorial battle — Above, American infantry advance on German positions during a recent reenactment at Jefferson Barracks National Park. The Armed Forces Museum of Greater St. Louis, which just moved out of its 10-year Granite City home, sponsored the two-day event. At left, American soldiers move one of their own fallen to a safer location toward the end of the battle. For more pictures, see People, Page 1C.

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OPINION

CAPITOL FACTS

Political cat jumps out of the Democratic bag

Some Springfield types are starting to get nervous.

The two political parties in Springfield don't always get along, but they usually manage to stay relatively mute about corruption in each other's camps. Nobody's hands are 100 percent clean under the state House dome, and everyone on all sides knows this. But, for the past couple of weeks the House Republicans and House Democrats have been taking potshots at each other over the alleged misuse of state funds for political purposes, and that's giving some insiders the jitters.

The fight started when the House Republicans helped along a story about how an unpopular former Democratic state legislator, Glenn Bradford, had gotten a \$20,000 contract from the House Democrats shortly after he resigned his seat last fall. House Speaker Michael Madigan believed at the time that Bradford would probably not win his reelection, so Bradford got the old heave-ho, along with a tidy little sum.

The Republicans cried foul about the alleged "quid pro quo," which would be illegal if proved, but they screamed bloody murder when Dennis admitted that Bradford was never assigned any work for his pay.

The Dems tried to explain this as an administrative error, but the Reps kept up their public fuming.

Democratic retaliation for the Bradford story was expected, particularly since the piece just happened to break a few days before Madigan was elected chairman of the state Democratic Party.

A newspaper article soon surfaced about the curious assignment by the House of Republicans of a full-time, state-paid staffer to the district office of Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Troy.

The staffer was supposedly working to create a fish farm at a state prison near Pinckneyville, in deep Southern Illinois. But the prison is an hour away from Stephens' Metro East office and the staffer has logged only three or four trips to the Pinckneyville site.

The staffer has, however, been reimbursed for more than \$3,000 worth of travel back and forth between Stephens' office and Springfield since last July. Each member of the House Republican "policy" staff is assigned to cover a state representative race. This particular staffer's responsibility is Steve Reeb's Republican campaign who was recruited last summer to challenge Bradford.

About the same time the staffer began making his regular, state-subsidized commutes between Springfield and Stephens' district office, the House Reps recruited Reeb to run against then-Rep. Bradford. Stephens' district borders former Rep. Bradford's dis-



Rich Miller

trict.

Basically, what happened here is that the Reps gave the staffer person a state paycheck and a state expense account to work in the area on "official business": the Pinckneyville fish farm project an hour away that he almost never went to. Right after work he could drive from Pinckneyville or the 90-minute haul from Springfield.

Legislative leaders always claim that their staffers never do campaign work unless they're off duty.

That's not true.

The House Republicans have their policy staff and the House Democrats have what they call an "issues staff." The exclusive focus of both staffers and their counterparts in the Senate is to help politically vulnerable members get re-elected.

They do this by helping the legislators write bills that would be popular with the folks back home. They also help put together constituent service programs and assist members in dealing with their local press.

And they make sure that their members don't vote for or against bills that could cause big trouble in the next election.

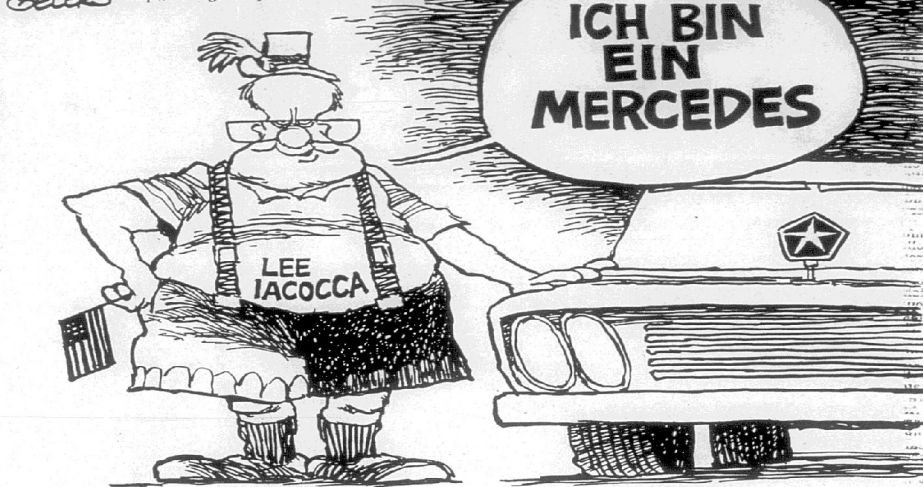
In their "off-duty" hours, the staffers run most aspects of the campaigns, from setting up fund-raisers to coordinating volunteers, to making sure the candidates get where they're supposed to go every day. A few months before the campaign they'll take unpaid leaves of absence and go to work full time for the candidates.

They are highly trained, incredibly motivated, underpaid, underappreciated, hard workers who simply wouldn't exist unless there was a state job to go to between elections.

Practically speaking, it would be way too expensive to keep all those people on campaign payrolls year in and year out. Up until the other day, the staffer's role almost never had become a campaign issue. But now the cat is out of the bag, and lots of people in Springfield whose very livelihoods depend on the staffers are hoping that this particular fight between Madigan and Danis burns off before voters start taking notice and limits are placed on how these people are used.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bad apples

TO THE EDITOR:

During their recent visit to Granite City, U.S. Education Secretary Richard Riley and U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun were caught comparing apples to oranges. The *Press-Record* quoted Moseley-Braun, in referring to the Third International Mathematics and Science Study, as saying American students "came in dead last in math and science in international competition," clearly suggesting that "something is not working."

The implication is that as students progress through American schools they become less and less proficient. Riley reported that U.S. fourth graders were near the top, but fell to average by eighth grade, and dropped to the bottom by 12th grade.

What is not said, and what I find it difficult to believe, is a man of Secretary Riley's stature and Sen. Moseley-Braun's intelligence do not know, is that all of our fourth-graders (both high and low achievers) were compared to both high and low foreign student achievers; while all of our eighth graders (both high and low achievers) were compared to about 67 percent of foreign eighth graders, the lower one-third having dropped out of school between fourth and eighth grades.

By 12th grade, when we were still teaching and testing the same students we taught and tested in grade four and grade eight, foreign student 12th graders lost another 27 percent of their student body. Hence, we are now comparing all of our 12th-graders to the top 40 percent of 12th-graders in foreign countries.

Riley's statement regarding fourth-, eighth- and 12th-grade student achievement reinforces the argument I made in a recent letter to the editor. When all of the world's countries choose to educate more than their elite population, I will be willing to listen, even join the ranks of the hysterical on this matter.

OWEN E. HUMPHREY
Granite City

Seconds the motion

TO THE EDITOR:

In April 19 edition of the Granite City *Journal*, a grandmother wrote in expressing her concern that parents were not ensuring that their children were wearing seatbelts. This lady said as she waited for her grandchild to get out of school, she did a quick survey of seatbelts usage among students being picked up by their parents. Only three out of 45 parents had their children buckled up.

Reducing unintentional injury related to traffic accidents is one of the priorities for the Madison County Partnership on Community Health. As the chair of the committee that is working on the priority, I contacted the school and the principal is working with us to provide seatbelt education for students and parents. Although these people are probably very concerned about the general safety of their children, sometimes people need a reminder about how important it is to see that children are properly restrained when riding in a vehicle.

MCPC is a collaborative group of community organizations and citizens (that developed as a community component to the Madison County Health Department). Committees work in the community to promote the Department's health priorities. We appreciate citizens like this grandmother who takes the time to make people aware of the need to buckle up the kids! Properly restraining children while riding in a motor vehicle is simple and effective way to save lives and reduce injury.

JEAN SCHRAM
Chestnut Health Systems
Maryville

Now hear this

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish they would standardize all television remote controls. We have three televisions and each has its own remote. The fact that none of the buttons are in the same place on any of them often causes me a problem.

This problem arises because I have to keep the set turned down to where it is barely audible to me because my lovely wife Carol's hearing has become so acute over the years.

Her ultra acute hearing causes another problem. I have noticed that since her hearing is so good, she thinks she doesn't have to talk very loud. It doesn't occur to her to use a little cotton in her ears to level the hearing field, so to speak.

She has mentioned a hearing aid for me but that would be ignoring the real problem, her ultra sensitive ears. Besides, cotton's cheaper.

Anyway, when the set is turned down so low because of Carol's affliction and I see a news item coming up that I might be especially interested in, I grab the remote and without looking, push the button that I think will turn up the volume.

That button would have done the trick on a different TV but on this one it either turns it off or changes the channel. By the time I recover they have gone on to a different story.

On other occasions I have carried a remote from another TV and got no reaction at all even after I have nearly squeezed the apparatus to death.

Worse than that occurs when Carol (who has the only regular job in our house) receives a business call and I have the set turned up to a comfortable volume level.

She demonstratively turns her back on the set "and me," sticks a finger in one ear, the receiver in the other and cups the mouth piece, my cue to turn the thing down.

I spring into action and push the mute button — no reaction. I push again — still no reaction. I have the wrong remote!

Carol is folding herself around the phone now while I frantically look around the office shuffling papers, to find the right one and when I do, I quickly push the volume button.

Unfortunately I am holding it backward. Oh, it operates that way but now I am pushing the volume up instead of down. I keep trying and as the volume increases until the dust is flying off the

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VOICE BOX

With all the magazines available today, which is your favorite, and why?



"People Magazine. It has good stories in it. I like to hear about celebrities."

Sue Taylor, 26
saleswoman



"Soap Opera Magazine, because of all the good-looking men. I watch some soaps, and the people are in that magazine."

Candy McCarthy, 33
child-care worker



"Good Housekeeping, because I have everything that I'm looking for. It has recipes, stories, health articles and decorating; and it's a good Christian magazine, it has no filth in it."

Wanetta Talley, 75
retired cashier



"People. Because it tells you the true facts about celebrities. It's not like the tabloids."

Joyce Morris, 40
homemaker



"I like the tabloids, because you get a lot of good gossip. It's fun to read about everyone. My husband loves to read them, too. They are fun."

Edith McIntire, 65
homemaker

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News

Simon: Public can be proud of law enforcement officers

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Even though he retired from political office, former Sen. Paul Simon still is involved in shaping public affairs.

Now a professor at Southern Illinois University, Simon spoke Monday at the Tri-City Area Chamber of Commerce's 12th annual Law Enforcement Recognition Dinner, held at the St. Gregory Armenian Hall in Granite City.

Guests for the event were members of the Venice, Madison, Pontoon Beach and Granite City police departments, as well as the Illinois State Police, Madison County Sheriff's Department, the Madison County Probation Department and other individuals who serve the area.

"Those of you in law enforcement, as well as your colleagues in the area of fire protection, know that when you enter that particular type of service, you're taking added risks," Simon said. "But you're taking added risks to make ours a better society."

The senator has long been a friend of law enforcement. While serving in the Illinois legislature, he sponsored much of the legislation for both the state and municipal police and fire departments.

As a U.S. senator, after learning about DNA testing in England, he held the first hearings on DNA testing and secured the first appropriations from Congress for use by law enforcement agencies.

"We don't have all the (DNA testing) standards perfected yet, but it is a big step for-



JOHN FRESE/Press-Record

Pictured above, from left, are Peggy Milton; Walter Milton, chairman of the crime prevention and awareness committee; Jane Simon; former Sen. Paul Simon; and R.C. Bush, executive vice president of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce. At right, Simon thanks Quad-City police agencies at the 12th annual Law Enforcement Recognition Dinner.

ward in law enforcement in this country and to protect innocent people who may be charged," he said.

"Those of you who are in law enforcement this evening are a much more professional group than any assembled 40 years ago," he said.

"Overwhelmingly, people in this country can be proud of those who are law enforcement officials," Simon said to more than 250 guests.

For the balance of his talk, Simon spoke with authority — in his usual polite, quiet way — about the need for the whole

nation to come together across all barriers.

He reminded them that law officials cannot do everything alone. Simon touched on several topics that he said must be addressed, such as education, drug treatment, television violence and gun laws.

"We have to reach across the barriers of race, creed and ethnic backgrounds, to really become one people. This is important in law enforcement too."

"What we have to do is reach out to build a true understanding in our country if

we're going to have the type of country that we should have."

"All of you can play a special role. Police officers, by reaching out, you talk to more people every day except the barber. You have that chance to reach out," Simon said.

Simon says plenty about variety of today's important topics

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Highlights of former Sen. Paul Simon's speech at the Tri-City Area Chamber of Commerce's 12th Annual Law Enforcement Recognition Dinner May 11 include:

Drug education/treatment — Early in his senate career, Simon met with law officials in Chicago, which had a large concentration of crime.

"(One officer) said 'Don't ask us to solve this by ourselves. You have to stop the demand,'" Simon said.

A few years ago, Simon learned that in many Illinois prisons, even though inmates want drug treatment, the prisons are unable to accommodate them all. Today in the Chicago area, there is a six-month wait for those who want drug treatment. "That's dyna-

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Ret. Sen. Paul Simon

mited."

"We have to make sure drug treatment is available for people who need it and want it," he said.

Poverty — Simon said there is a higher percentage of American children living in poverty than in any other industrialized nation.

Simon now heads the Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University. Four weeks ago, his group had an unusual, unique gathering of 26 religious leaders nationwide, including such diverse leaders as the heads of the Unitarian Church and the Nation of

Islam.

"They developed a statement that is really surprising ... saying what government should do and also what individual congregations should do. We shouldn't just come together on Sunday morning and sing hymns and act pious. He have to be reaching out to people in need," he said.

Education — More also needs to be done in education, to help schools in the area. More than 80 percent of prison inmates nationwide are high school dropouts, he said.

"You don't have to be an Ein-

stein to figure out if we did a better job in the field of education we wouldn't have to be building so many prisons," he said. "Let's start grabbing young people early."

Television violence — This was one of the last issues Simon tackled while in the Senate. He said he didn't know what makes two young boys in Jonesboro, Ark., to do an unspeakable thing and shoot their classmates.

"My guess is it's a mosaic," he said. "I think one of them is the entertainment violence on television."

One time, the senator stayed overnight in a motel and

turned on his television set, and the first thing he saw was a gruesome murder.

He said he was old enough to know it wasn't real.

"What happens to a 10-year-old who watches this?" he said he asked himself.

A recent four-university study reported 73 percent of television violence in America shows no adverse consequences for the person committing the violence.

Only 4 percent has an anti-violence theme, Simon said.

"So the lesson being learned by children is, 'violence pays,'" he said. "I think we have to recognize we're doing harm to ourselves."

Gun control — He touched also on the controversial subject of gun laws, an area where national police organizations have said gun laws have to be re-examined. Guns such as the Tech 9 semi-automatic pistol are not ones responsible citizens should have. The Tech 9 is advertised as being "fingerprint-proof" in some trade magazines. What kind of responsible citizen needs that, he asked.

"I'm going to defend the rights of hunters to have guns. But I've never seen a hunter with an Uzzi or an AK-47. We don't need those type of things," he said.

McGiffen remains held without bond

By Paul A. Brinkmann
Telegraph staff writer

It will be a long summer in St. Clair County Jail for white supremacist Dennis McGiffen.

McGiffen, 35, of Wood River, will be held without bond until his sentencing hearing in August for possessing an illegal automatic weapon. McGiffen pleaded guilty to the crime two weeks ago.

U.S. District Judge Paul E. Riley ruled Monday that McGiffen's crime was violent in nature and, therefore, "this court has no discretion and must order McGiffen to be detained pending sentencing."

However, Riley let McGiffen's friend and co-defendant Wallace S. Weicherding free on \$100,000 bond secured by \$10,000.

Weicherding, 64, will be confined to his home in Salem and monitored electronically until his trial on the same weapons charges. Weicherding main-

tains his innocence.

McGiffen's former wife, Christina, said she was relieved that McGiffen would not be let out of jail. Before his arrest on Feb. 23, McGiffen had custody of the former couple's three children.

Christina, who has a new husband and new last name, said McGiffen had been brainwashing her children to believe in white supremacist ideals.

"This means that I can relax and I can know that my kids are secure," she said. "I'm going to try to stop what they're doing to them and get them counseled."

McGiffen and Weicherding allegedly were involved in a plot to sell illegal weapons and use the proceeds to fund a bombing and assassination campaign against blacks and Jews.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Norman Smith said the men called their group the New Order, but McGiffen said the plot was just

drunken "big talk."

Smith tried to use the alleged plot against McGiffen at a detention hearing last week, saying McGiffen's intentions were dangerous.

Riley, however, never mentioned the other allegations in his ruling, focusing instead on case law that found possession of an illegal weapon to be a violent crime.

McGiffen's attorney, Douglas Forsyth of St. Louis, argued that the mere possession of a weapon did not disclose violent intent. Forsyth said McGiffen wanted to put his affairs in order before serving his sentence.

Weicherding had asked for release because of medical problems, which include diabetes and colitis.

According to the judge's ruling, Weicherding may not leave Southern Illinois, possess any weapons nor have any contact with members of the alleged conspiracy.

Library

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15 and 60 cents per \$100 assessed value could be assessed. Board members said they felt the minimum tax rate which would add \$15 in taxes to a \$30,000 home — could

be passed. The earliest the issue could be on the ballot would be in November.

Polinske was instructed by the board to prepare both petitions and a referendum.

Wilson said the library — located in Oakmont Shopping Center, on Pontoon Road — would be closed Wednesday.

"It's what our attorney says — close it down," Wilson said. "I hate to do it."

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AROUND THE AREA

Here's what happened around the Metro East in the past week:

Belleville Family found dead in home

What police are calling a triple murder-suicide has left a family of four dead in Belleville. Police discovered the bodies of Bruce Kettler, 43, his wife, Delores (Lori), 38, and their two daughters, Nichole, 11, and Noelle, 7, in the living room of their home.

Belleville police responded to the home at 17 N. Florida after receiving a call from Bruce Kettler's parents expressing concern for the well-being of their son and his family.

Neighbors reportedly had not seen any activity at the house, papers were stacked on the front porch and the grass had not been cut.

Police speculate that Bruce Kettler killed his family members before turning the gun on himself.

East St. Louis

Superintendent is Lincoln grad
The East St. Louis Board of

Education has selected a native East St. Louisan and Lincoln High School graduate as the district's new superintendent.

The school board chose Nathaniel J. Anderson from three candidates selected in a national search by the Illinois Association of School Boards. Anderson will start work July 1; he will be officially appointed to the post Monday at the monthly school board meeting.

According to an IASB personnel information form, Anderson is a principal and assistant superintendent for the Rock Island/Milan School District, which has 7,000 students, 375 professional staff members and an annual budget of \$56 million.

Anderson, a 1989 Lincoln graduate, has 16 years of administrative experience, including involvement in the merger of two high schools in Decatur.

O'Fallon

House explodes, rocks O'Fallon

At about 3:20 a.m. Sunday, the Peters' home on 119 Delmar Ave. in O'Fallon exploded. "All I can say is it's a miracle that we got out of this alive," said Marvin Peters late Sunday morning as he scoured through the remains of his former house. "I'm just thankful it

wasn't any worse than it was."

Several neighbors teamed up with O'Fallon police officer Kevin McDaniel and volunteer firefighter Ray Flatz — who responded to the explosion about a half mile from his own home — to pull the Peters out of the house before it burst into flames.

"It was a real wake up call," said Marvin Peters.

Only a few hours earlier, the Peters returned from Miami. The couple was vacationing there to celebrate their upcoming 50th wedding anniversary on May 22.

Dola Peters had surgery Sunday afternoon to remove glass from her knee at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville. According to a hospital spokesman, she was listed in fair condition Monday. Marvin Peters was not injured.

The fire also destroyed the Peters' attached carport and one of their cars. But the firefighters saved the Peters' detached garage. Marvin said he can't get his truck out, though.

Fire Chief David Little said the explosion was caused by a build up of propane gas due to an apparent leak somewhere in the line.

Waterloo

EMT wants record expunged

Waterloo Insurance broker

Michael Wightman said recently suspicion he'd been involved in a 1997 crime was a "1,000-pound gorilla on (his) back."

The burden was lifted when Wightman and co-defendant John B. Hellig were found not guilty of criminal property damage in an April 29 bench trial before 20th Circuit Judge Patrick Young. Wightman now seeks to have the incident expunged from his record.

Wightman was working as a part-time emergency medical technician and Hellig as a paramedic with the Monroe County Ambulance Service when the alleged vandalism occurred on March 29, 1997.

Columbia/ Cahokia

Agency may tap IAWC's services

A proposal for a long-term contract and cheaper rates has brought a source back in the

race for the business of the Metro JointAction Water Agency.

In the fall of 1996, the Commonfields of Cahokia Water District joined with the Columbia water district to seek a source of water other than Illinois American Water Company.

However, according to Columbia Water Committee Chairman Jim Haeman, the city's new water agency recently made a tentative proposal to Illinois American stating they might continue purchasing water from the company if the price were lowered.

Another part of the proposal would be a 30-year contract, Haeman said.

For the past several months, Illinois American has been trying to dissuade MEMJAWA from buying water from the St. Louis Water District. The new water agency is made up of the city of Columbia and the Commonfields of Cahokia Water District.

MEMJAWA has considered plans to construct a pipeline under the Mississippi River to

bringing the water to the Cahokia-Columbia area and concluded an agreement with the St. Louis district that was approved by the St. Louis Board of Aldermen in December 1996.

Dupo

Residents pool drainage concerns

About 20 people gathered at Dupo Village Hall Monday to ask the Board of Trustees to prevent their homes from becoming lakefront property after heavy rains.

The trustees agreed that Fifth and Sixth streets between Godwin and Lindemann avenues have had pools of standing water after recent rains. What isn't clear is why.

Residents said the subdivision's builder failed to provide adequate drainage.

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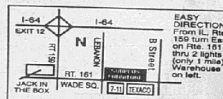
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Kypta keeps Cards fans stocked with merchandise

For those who know Jami Kypta, they shouldn't be surprised that she has quickly climbed through the ranks of Sportservice to her current position as seasonal retail manager.

Kypta, a Collinsville resident, has always been one to make things happen. A mother of six — three boys and three girls, ranging in age from 6 to 18 — she seemingly is always on the go. That kinetic energy and organizational skills made her a perfect fit for her job at Busch Stadium with Sportservice.

As the seasonal retail manager, Kypta, 38, is in charge of all the merchandise at the stadium. Depending on attendance, she is responsible anywhere from 27 to 35 permanent stands, stores and portable carts. The number of people to work those locations approaches 100. It's Kypta's job to make sure that the selling of the merchandise goes smoothly.

"I really haven't had any nightmares," Kypta said. "Most of the time things run pretty smoothly. There are different things which come up, of course, which you can't predict. But you just deal with it."

Kypta started at Sportservice in the fall of 1995 when a friend said workers were needed at Busch Stadium to sell programs for the Rams' games. She figured she'd work the five Rams games at Busch Stadium before the team moved to the TWA Dome and then she would return to working exclusively at home, raising her family.

But Sportservice Deb Gormann, whose daughter was in a wedding,

Kypta was hooked. She returned for the 1997 Cardinals season, working the permanent stands and also serving as a retail supervisor. She rose to her current position as seasonal retail manager last February.

"It's a job I love," Kypta says. "Both Sportservice and the Cardinals are great to work for. It's like one big family."

Kypta caters to a lot of families in her job, leaving lasting memories as they pick up souvenirs from Cardinals games. Cardinals merchandise is all over, inside and outside the stadium. Sportservice sells caps, banners, T-shirts, baseball cards, balls, bats, No. 1 foam fingers and novelty items like jewelry, car accessories, keychains, photos and mini bats.

"Permanent stands are located throughout the stadium while a game is in progress. There are also higher-priced items at three shops located within the stadium: the Fan Zone Cap Store, The Fan Zone Family Pavilion and The Official Cardinal Team Store, which replaced the Hall of Fame Gift Shop."

When the Cardinals aren't playing, the Team Store is open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. seven days each week except for weekends from mid-January until the end of March.

What a lot of people don't know is that Sportservice offers two portable discount carts of merchandise marked 50 percent off.

Kypta took the show on the road, so to speak, last November when she managed the Cardinal Dugout store at Crestwood Plaza through mid-January.

"It's the first time the Cardinals have had a retail outlet outside the stadium in recent years," Kypta said.

"I'm not sure if they will do it again, or whether they'll add other locations. I liked doing it, though, because it allowed me to work year-round, rather than taking off during that time."

Among her other duties with Sportservice, Kypta is responsible for training the vendors, scheduling, and preparing commission figures for payroll. She's a knowledgeable baseball fan, but she doesn't get much time to watch the games in progress.

While the games are being played, she's busy preparing for the next game.

"I'm working on re-orders," Kypta says.

Before starting with Sportservice, Kypta was busy with her children. She regularly volunteered her services, most notably as a board member with the Collinsville Baseball/Softball League and in different roles with Sts. Peter and Paul School and parish.

In looking back, Kypta said her volunteer work helped prepare her for her present job with Sportservice.

"I was able to transfer those people

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Lady Warriors finish fourth at Cahokia

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

One of the highlights of the Granite City softball season came last week-end in the Cahokia Tournament when the team managed a fourth-place finish out of 16 teams.

Despite a 7-0 loss to Herrin in the third-place game, Granite City (6-11) was one of the surprises of the tournament. The Warriors upset fourth-seeded O'Fallon 9-0 in the first round and defeated Quincy Notre Dame 11-0 in the quarterfinals before losing 3-2 to top-seeded Belleville East in the semifinals.

"We came to play," said Granite City assistant coach Brian Harshany, who ran the team Saturday in the absence of coach Deb Gormann, whose daughter was in a wedding.

PREP SOFTBALL

"That 3-2 game against Belleville East could easily have gone the other way around, but fourth place in this tournament is nothing to shake your head at."

"We were short-gamed against East the first time we played them, so the girls were fired up. They really wanted to win, and that desire and motivation make a world of difference."

"We hit the ball well in the first three games, and I don't where that came from. We had struggled the past two weeks, but I'm real happy with the girls."

Whenever Belleville West and Belleville East meet in softball, the

result is nearly always a close game — and Saturday was no exception.

West beat East 3-2 in the championship game of the 20th annual Cahokia Tournament. The Maroons, who lost 1-0 to the Lancers on April 9, rallied from a 2-0 deficit with three runs in the bottom of the third and held on to win behind the seven-hit pitching of Casey Hunter. The freshman struck out six and walked two.

Last year, East beat West three times in the regular season, but the Maroons beat the Lancers in the regional championship game and went on to place fourth in the Class AA state tournament.

Freeburg (10-12) bounced back from a 10-0 opening round loss to Belleville East to beat Gibault 2-1 in the consolation final. Freeburg scored

'We hit the ball well in the first three games, and I don't where that came from. We had struggled the past two weeks, but I'm real happy with the girls.'

Brian Harshany
Granite City coach

two runs in the top of the seventh. In the fifth-place game, Civic Memorial defeated Quincy Notre Dame 9-3.

Warriors split with Lancers

Granite gets back to .500 plateau with 6th win in 7 contests

By Jason Sharp
Correspondent

The Granite City High School baseball team split a Southwestern Conference doubleheader at home Tuesday against the Belleville East Lancers.

The Warriors, who led early in each game, dropped the first game 7-4 but bounced back to post a 5-3 victory in the second game.

In the opener, Granite City scored two in the first inning with Elliot Dine driving the runs home. Scott Smallie opened the rally with a single that dropped in shallow left field. Dustin Brewer followed with a walk, leading to Dine's two-RBI single.

But the Lancers responded in the second inning with three runs on two home runs. Belleville East catcher Mike Brody smacked a solo home run over the left field fence against Warriors pitcher Steve Ward. East added two more runs when John Schutzenhofer singled up the middle and Keith Tillotson hit a home run nearly identical to Brown's blast.

"We knew coming in that Belleville East was probably the best hitting team that we were going to face in the conference," Warriors coach Gus Lignoul said. "We knew that we were going to have to score a lot of runs to beat them."

The Lancers indeed added two more runs in the third inning to stretch the lead to 5-2.

Granite City closed the gap to one run in the fourth inning with a little help from the Lancers. After John Kelly accepted a leadoff walk, Dustin Murphy's ground-ball to shortstop led to a throwing error that put Kelly and Murphy in scoring position. Smallie ripped the first delivery from Don Grider down the left field line for a two-run single.

The Warriors were poised to take the lead when Jeff Hayden lined a double into left centerfield to put runners on second and third. But after an intentional walk to Brewer, Dine flied out to left field to end the rally.

"We left too many runners on," Lignoul said. "We swung at a lot of pitches that weren't in the strike zone. We went backwards a little bit and were getting ourselves out."

In the second game, Granite City scored all of its runs in the first inning.

The Warriors offense exploded with five runs on six hits, including back-to-back doubles off the left field fence by Dine and Ted Millas.

Smallie opened the inning against Grider with a stand-up double. After Smallie moved to third on a wild pitch, Hayden drove him in with a single. Dine and Millas then hit their back-to-back doubles to make the score 3-0. Brewer was again walked and Brian Kamadulski followed with a single to load the bases. Murphy then singled to score Millas. Brewer came in to score on a wild pitch to Kelly.

Lancers coach Dennis Schutzenhofer regretted his decision to leave Grider, who pitched seven innings for the win in the opener, in for the second game against Granite City.

"I take full responsibility for this game," Schutzenhofer said. "I tried to gain an advantage by stretching our pitching. Grider told me he felt pretty good but he didn't have anything when he came off the break. I just left him in there too long."

For Granite City, Paul Kacera pitched four innings and gave up three runs on six hits to get the win. He improved his record to 4-3. Kelly relieved Kacera and allowed only two hits the rest of the way to pick up the save.

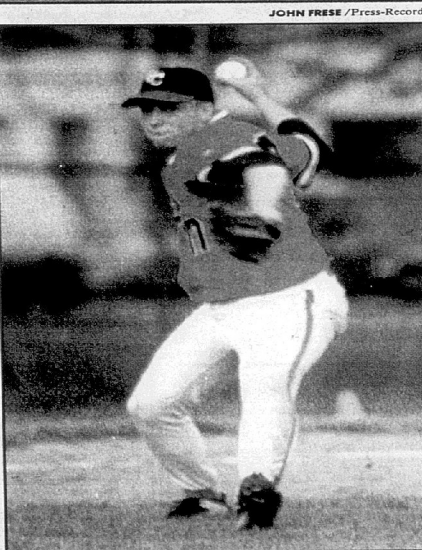
"Kacera pitched a great game at Springfield on Saturday when he threw 106 pitches," Lignoul said. "We knew that when he was around 75 pitches, he was out of gas. But he did a nice job. So did John Kelly. We got the

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Red-hot Warriors

The Granite City High School baseball team has won six of seven games — since a one-run loss to Edwardsville last week — on a recent hot streak to improve its record to 12-12 for the season.

ABOVE: Granite City's Scott Smallie runs down the third base line for a run in the Warriors' victory last week against Centralia. Behind Smallie is teammate Ted Millas, heading to the on-deck circle. AT RIGHT: The Warriors' Elliot Dine charges in from third to make the throw to first for an out against Centralia.



JOHN FRESE / Press-Record

Depth keeps Warriors competitive in meets

By Bill Hester
Correspondent

Team depth has been the hallmark of the Granite City boys track team in 1998.

The Warriors have yet to win any big meets as a team, but they have been able to compete because of their ability to score in a lot of events.

In the Marion Tournament on May 1, for instance, Granite City was able to place in 16 of the 17 events to score 70 points.

"We can cover just about every event and cover it well," Granite City coach Gene Briggs said. "We are able to place second, third, fourth and fifth in a lot of events."

Those points can add up, although the Warriors have not had the level finishes in many events. But a lot of that has to do with the competition they have faced.

BOYS TRACK

"We run up against the likes of East St. Louis, the Belleville schools, Edwardsville and O'Fallon," Briggs said. "And then we come across quality teams like Marion, Mount Vernon, Centralia, Murphysboro and Carbondale in different meets. Those are very good schools."

Overall depth is the strength of this Granite City team, but if there has been an area of strength this season it is the middle distances. The 4x800-meter relay team has done well all year and had a season-best time in finishing third in last weekend's Collinsville Invitational.

The good news is that the Warriors have a bright future in that event with sophomores Josh Peacher, Rich Skirball and Kevin Atkins leading the

way this spring. Several different runners have been used as the fourth runner on the 4x800, including sophomores Ian Kessel and Chris Mertz.

Whereas the Warriors are young in the middle distances, they are very experienced in the sprints with seniors Steven Menemeyer, Rocky Smith, Carl Mouton, Juannell Goodwin and Dane Bauer and juniors Earl Clark and Steven Schroeder leading the way.

Clark, Smith and Mouton are also quality jumpers as is junior Nathan Nichols. Seniors Ryan Moneymaker and Steve Moss have been the top hurdlers while sophomore Bobby Rider and freshman Jerry Curtis are the top distance runners.

Sophomore Eric Kambarian has had a good season throwing the discus and freshman Jeff Hard has been solid in throwing the shot.

Two other freshmen have made immediate impacts with the varsity team: Justin Smith in the sprints and Jeremiah Beckley in the 400.

"This team has run against some very good competition and done well," Briggs said. "They have fulfilled expectations and gone past most of them. We have to focus now on our best chances to get through a very tough sectional."

The Warriors will compete in the sectional at Collinsville on May 22.

They get a tuneup for that today when the Southwestern Conference Meet is conducted at East St. Louis.

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Lady Warriors have bright future with talented youngsters

By Bill Hester
Correspondent

The future appears to be very bright for the Granite City girls track team.

"We have a large number of freshmen and sophomores who have been doing very well," Granite City coach Gene Briggs said. "They have had a lot of success in the freshman and sophomore meets and have been holding their own on the varsity level."

The youngsters helped the Warriors to an impressive third-place finish in the Madison County meet earlier in the season.

"We've had a real good young group of girls and the older girls on the team have provided them with some good leadership," Briggs said.

Leading the way for the young runners has been freshman Shannon Stapleton, who is already among the top 400-meter runners in the area.

Freshmen Nicole Bellman (sprinter and jumper), Sarah Taylor (middle distance/distance) and Faith Yurison (middle distance) are among the other underclassmen who have had very good seasons.

"The future of the team looks promising,"

GIRLS TRACK

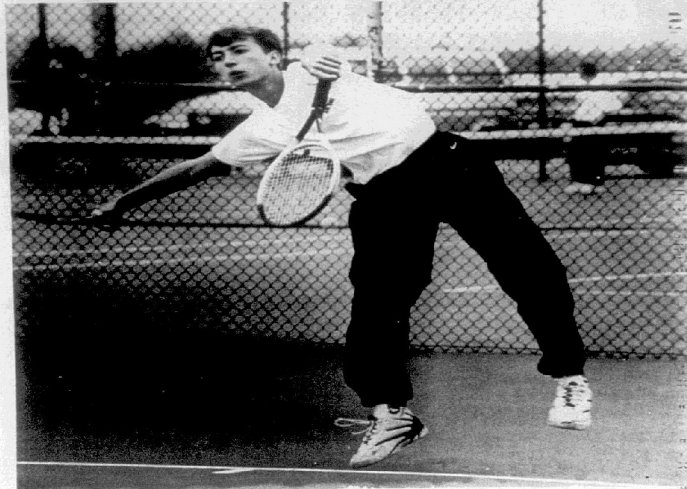
Briggs said. "I only hope that the talented freshman and sophomore girls keep with it and continue to improve."

Leading the way among the more experienced girls on the team are: seniors Becky Bargiel (sprinter), Stephanie Jovi (middle distance/runner); Laura Stewart (jumper/thrower) and Amanda Guenther (sprinter); and juniors Bonnie Hill (hurdler), Alisa Monroe (thrower) and Angie Restoff (sprinter).

The season is winding down for the Warriors girls and other teams in the area. The sectional meet for the girls will begin Friday at Alton.

"There are several events including the 400, the long jump, the 4x100, the 100 and the medley relay that we can be in the hunt in if the girls run their best," Briggs said.

The first- and second-place runners from each event along with athletes who meet a qualifying standard will advance to the state meet.



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Granite City freshman Andy Balcer (above) has teamed with senior Steve Graham to form a potent No. 1 doubles team.

Granite No. 1 doubles team leads charge to postseason

By Bill Hester
Correspondent

The Granite City tennis team has not had a lot of memorable moments in 1988.

Warriors coach Allen Lobdell hopes that the highlights are still to come as his team prepares for next weekend's Southwestern Conference Tournament and the sectional tournament the following weekend. Both of those events will be conducted at Belleville West High School.

"We usually improve rapidly by the end of the season and I'm hoping that will be the case again," Lobdell said. "I'm hoping that the highlight will be at the end and that we will have a doubles team at the state tournament."

For the first time in quite a while, Granite City did not have any state qualifiers last spring. Lobdell is hoping that senior Steve Graham and freshman Andy Balcer put an end to the one-year drought.

"They've flip-flopped at the No. 1 singles spot all season and we're going to put them together in doubles at sectionals," Lobdell said. "I'm hoping that they can get a No. 3 or 4 seed. The seed is important in who you will face in the early rounds."

The top three singles players and top three doubles teams from each sectional automatically qualify for the state tournament later this month in Arlington Heights.

Graham and Balcer form an interesting team with the veteran and the rookie and a right-hander (Graham) and a southpaw (Balcer).

"The senior is real steady and supportive and the freshman hits the ball real flat and fairly hard," Lobdell said. "They have started to play well together. We had two matches today (Saturday) and they played well in the first one and real well in the second one."

Granite City defeated Metro East Lutheran 6-1 Saturday. In the second match, an 8-1 loss to Alton, Graham and Balcer gave the Warriors their only victory at No. 1 doubles.

BOYS TENNIS

Graham has been the brightest spot individually this season with an 8-5 overall mark at Nos. 1 and 2 singles.

"Steve has been steady as a rock," Lobdell said. "He's shown a lot of maturity and he has won the matches he should win and a couple he wasn't supposed to win. He has worked hard all four years and I want to see him rewarded with a trip to state. I think he and Andy can do it."

The rest of the Granite City lineup through the season has included junior Tim Knowlton at No. 3 singles, senior Mark Achenbach at No. 4 singles and sophomore Jared McWilliam at No. 5 singles. A number of players have been used at No. 6 singles. Freshman Travis Thomas was used at that spot in the two matches Sunday.

"We don't get a lot of kids who play year-round tennis here," Lobdell said. "This has been a rebuilding year but the team has been improving. I hope we can play well in the conference and sectional tournaments."

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Allen Lobdell
Granite City coach

PREP TRACK RESULTS

SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE MEET (at Collinsville, May 7)

Girls

Team Results

1. Belleville East 143; 2. Belleville West 118; 3. Edwardsville 102; 4. East St. Louis 82; 5. Collinsville 55; 6. Alton 22; 7. Granite City 18.

Individual Results

800 medley relay — 1. East St. Louis 1:56.7; 2. Belleville East 1:59.1; 3. Edwardsville 1:59.5; 4. Collinsville 2:01.8; 5. Alton 2:02.9.

3,200 relay — 1. Edwardsville 10:20.4; 2. East St. Louis 10:34; 3. Belleville West 10:37.3; 4. Granite City 11:31.3; 5. Belleville East 11:54.2.

400 relay — 1. Edwardsville 50.9; 2. Belleville East 51.5; 3. Alton 52.9; 4. Belleville West 53.4; 5. Granite City 54.7; 6. Collinsville 55.2.

1,600 run — 1. Kristel Adler (BE) 12:21.2; 2. Kara Wolters (Coll) 12:41.3; 3. Kate Lanus (BE) 12:52; 4. Nikki Vaughn (Coll) 13:01; 5. Bailey Nichols (Ed) 13:10.

100 low hurdles — 1. Hill (ESTL) 15.0; 2. Turbin (BW) 15.9; 3. Tiffany Webb (BE) 16.5; 4. Marjorie Rinaldi (Ed) 17.4; 5. Nellie Shaul (Ed) 17.5.

100 — 1. Lakhisha Johnson (BE) 12.8; 2. Ebony Jackson (Ed) 12.8; 3. Everette (Al) 13.2; 4. Isabel (ESTL) 13.3; 5. Kelly Zickus (Coll) 13.4.

800 — 1. Catherine Betz (BW) 2:25; 2. Nellie Shaul (Ed) 2:32; 3. Pelmen (BW) 2:33; 4. Kara Wolters (Coll) 2:37; 5. Edualson (BE) 2:39.1.

1,500 — 1. East St. Louis 1:48.9; 2. Belleville East 1:52.2; 3. Edwardsville 1:52.4; 4. Belleville West 1:54.3; 5. Collinsville 1:57.4.

400 — 1. Lakhisha Johnson (BE) 1:02; 2. Dorch (Ed) 63.0; 3. Janell Scott (Ed) 1:04; 4. Kara Wolters (Coll) 1:05; 5. Abby Perez (BE) 1:06.

1,600 run — 1. Catherine Betz (BW) 5:31.3; 2. Abby Perez (BE) 5:41; 3. Kristel Adler (BE) 5:41; 4. Kara Wolters (Coll) 5:51.9; 5. Jester (GC) 5:55.

200 — 1. Ebony Jackson (Ed) 27.0; 2. Isabel (ESTL) 27.6; 3. Tashara Byrd (BE) 28.1; 4. MacSallow (BW) 28.2; 5. Kelly Zickus (Coll) 28.4.

1,600 relay — 1. Edwardsville 4:19.8; 2. East St. Louis 4:20.3; 3. Belleville West 4:21.3; 4. Collinsville 4:22.3; 5. Alton 4:23.3.

Shot put — 1. Danielle Lawary (BW) 40-0/4; 2. Tara Reynolds (BE) 35-0/4; 3. Clark (ESTL) 34-10; 4. Jada Hogg (Ed) 34-9; 5. Edwardsville 34-8.

Discus — 1. Danielle Lawary (BW) 120-7; 2. Tara Reynolds (BE) 111-0; 3. Davis (ESTL) 100-8; 4. Monroe (GC) 97-4; 5. Clark (ESTL) 96-9.

High jump — 1. Christina Archibald (BW) 5-1; 2. Shelly Hammond (BE) 4-10; 3. Demore (ESTL) 4-8; 4. (tie) Lelinen (BE) and Wolters (Coll) 4-6.

Triple jump — 1. Kim Saut (BE) 32-6; 2. Shelly Hammond

(BE) 32-3; 3. Turbin (BW).

Long jump — 1. Christina Archibald (BW) 16-4 1/2; 2. Miana Gordon (Ed) 16-4; 3. Belman (GC) 15-8 1/2; 4. Rekowski (Coll) 15-3 1/2; 5. Thebeau (Coll) 14-8 1/2; 6. 300 hurdles — 1. Sarah Turbin (BW) 48.3; 2. Kelly Zickus (Coll) 50.1.

Junior varsity scores

1. Edwardsville 173; 2. Granite City 84; 3. Belleville East 80; 4. East St. Louis 44; 5. Belleville West; 6. (tie) Alton and Collinsville 0.

COLLINSVILLE INVITATIONAL (at Collinsville, May 9)

Boys

Team Results

1. O'Fallon 105; 2. Edwardsville 91; 3. Cahokia 89; 4. Belleville East 68; 5. Highland 58; 6. Mount Vernon 57; 7. Granite City 46; 8. Murphysboro 39; 9. Belleville West 32; 10. (tie) Freeburg and Alton 27; 12. Collinsville 22; 13. Virden 18; 14. Triad 16; 15. Westview 15; Waterloo 17 (tie); Alton and Mat. Del. 0.

Individual results

3,200 relay — 1. Edwardsville 8:09.5; 2. O'Fallon 8:22.3; 3. Granite City 8:24.3.

800 relay — 1. Cahokia 43.3; 2. O'Fallon 43.7; 3. Granite City 44.5.

Long jump — 1. Jackson (BE) 22-6 1/2; 2. Snyder (Alton) 21-4; 3. Hawkins (OF) 22-7 1/2.

High jump — 1. Steve Royer (Virden) 6-8; 2. Pate (MV) 6-3; 3. (tie) Blanks (Cah) and Jackson (BE) 6-4.

100 — 1. Goodwin (Cah) 10.9; 2. Salesman (OF) 10.9; 3. Westbrook (Cah) 11.4.

100 hurdles — 1. Ralph Holmes (OF) 14.2; 2. Kashy (MV) 14.9; 3. (tie) 14.9.

Shot put — 1. Bowens (Ed) 49-9/4; 2. York (Coll) 48-6/4; 3. Schwarz (Coll) 45-3/4.

3,200 — 1. Grier (High) 9:39.4; 2. Billing (BW) 10:10.5; 3. Maag (Ed) 10:17.7.

800 — 1. Jones (BE) 1:58.5; 2. Sierman (Mur) 1:59.6; 3. Lewis (Cah) 2:00.4.

Discus — 1. Jeff Rossen (Triad) 154-3; 2. Bowens (Ed) 153-4; 3. Bevis (Ed) 152-8.

800 relay — 1. Cahokia 1:32.3; 2. O'Fallon 1:33; 3. Edwardsville 1:33.1.

400 — 1. Roderick (Cah) 50.1; 2. Hustedde (High) 50.3; 3. Jay (BE) 51.7.

300 hurdles — 1. Ralph Holmes (OF) 38.3; 2. Jones (BE) 38.4; 3. Bjorkaas (OF) 39.0.

1,600 — 1. Davis (Ed) 4:32.5; 2. Calvert (Free) 4:40.5; 3. Wallace (Ed) 4:40.8.

Eagles Alumni All-Star Game is Sunday

The St. Louis Eagles Basketball Invitational, presented by Game Face, will include an Eagles All-Star Alumni game 6 p.m. Sunday at West County Tech (located just south of Interstate-64 in west St. Louis County).

The all-star game will match a group of college graduates who played for the Eagles during their high school days against a group of graduating high school seniors.

Among the players on the high school seniors team are

Edwardsville High School's Jon Harris, Madison's Maurice Baker and Belleville East's Josh Helbig.

The complete rosters for the game:

College graduates — John Pullman, Southwest Missouri State; Tim Holloway, University of Missouri-Rolla; Kelly Thames, Missouri; Antonio Rivers, Central Missouri State; Eric Bickel, University of Missouri-St. Louis; Cory Tate, Missouri; Scott Highman, St. Louis University; Kevin Tuck-

son, UMSL; Chip Walther, Missouri.

High school seniors — Jon Harris, Edwardsville (Marquette); Pat Schumacher, Hazelwood Central; J.P. Mitchem, Ladue; Maurice Baker, Madison (St. Thomas Moore Prep); Gary Buchanan, Valley Park; Marc Stricker, CBC; Aaron Green, Riverview Gardens; Jake Harmon, Alton; Josh Helbig, Belleville East (Cal State-Fullerton); Manoli Potsou, Pattonville; Durrell Statford, Riverview.

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SPORTS

SIUE grouped in region with familiar opponents

GLVC foursome gathers in Edwardsville

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

To quote Yogi Berra "It's deja vu all over again." The same four teams that battled for the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament title last weekend are the same four squads battling this week for the NCAA North Central Regional crown.

SIUE won the GLVC tournament and the right to host the regional at Roy Lee Field, which starts 11 a.m. today and wraps up Saturday afternoon. The NCAA selection committee invited GLVC members Missouri-St. Louis, Indianapolis and St. Joseph's to the post-season party.

UMSL and Indianapolis kick off the double-elimination tournament 11 a.m. today.

No. 1 seeded SIUE faces St. Joseph's College at 3 p.m. The North Central Regional Tournament is one of eight four-team regional nationwide.

SIUE entered the regionals with a 35-13 record, winning 18 of their last 23 games. The Cougars have lost back-to-back games only twice all season.

The Cougars set a team record this season with 58 home runs, breaking the old benchmark of 48 set in 1981.

Senior centerfielder Mark Briggs also set a new mark for hits in a career with 263. He snapped Todd Carter's mark of 245 (1989-92). Briggs also established new career standards for at-bats, runs scored and runs batted in.

Freshman second baseman Mark Bugger of Edwardsville leads the team with 75 hits and now holds the freshman record for hits in a season.

The pitching staff set a team new mark for strikeouts with 305.



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Granite City's Ismahan Mohsen (left) scored the tying goal and assisted on the game-winning goal for the Lady Warriors rallied to defeat Springfield Chatham 2-1 last Saturday.

Lady Warriors rally for ninth win

By Jason Sharp
Correspondent

In the closing minutes of Saturday's girls soccer game against Springfield Chatham, Granite City High School rallied with two goals to produce a 2-1 non-conference victory.

With barely 10 minutes left on the clock, Ismahan Mohsen tied the game with an unassisted goal. Just five minutes later, Mohsen fed Erika Todd for the game-winning goal.

"We came in right off the bus and it took us a while but we finally got into our game and were able to put it away," Warriors coach Gene Baker said. "Springfield doesn't give away games. It was nice to get."

"Becky Boone had one of her better games for us."

Saturday's victory was the ninth of the season for the Lady Warriors, who were trying to bounce back from a 1-0 loss last Thursday against Alton. The Warriors are 9-3-2 and have lost just once to an Illinois team while battling a number of injuries this spring.

(Amanda) Huber's been hurt, but we're looking to get her back next week," Baker said. "And Jennifer Willman has had to miss some games because of stuff with the



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Granite City's Amanda Huber is expected to return from injury soon as the Lady Warriors try to get back to full strength in time for the postseason.

Marines. Those two should be back next week."

Granite City has this week off before playing at home Saturday against Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin.

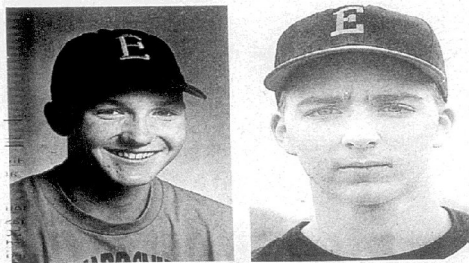
Baker said the team will use

this week to work on conditioning and postseason preparations.

"This week off has given us some time to get into good condition," Baker said. "We're trying to hone our skills for

another (state) tournament berth. That's where we want to be."

Saturday's home game begins with junior varsity action at 11 a.m.



SIUE's freshman Mark Bugger leads the team in hits and set a school single-season record for hits by a freshman.

SIUE's Jesse Bugger has been one of the leading hitters this season for the Cougars, the top seed for the regional.

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Baseball

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run support in the second game, but for us to be successful those two kids have to pitch well."

The Warriors bounced back to the 500 mark at 12-12 with the win in the second game of the doubleheader.

Once 6-11, Granite City capped a five-game winning streak Monday with a 1-1 triumph at Belleville West.

Brewer, the hard-luck ace of staff for the Warriors so far this spring, picked up an impressive victory by going seven innings, allowing only one run on five hits and three walks. He struck out five.

Brewer also provided some offense, going 2-for-2 and striking a solo home run.

The Warriors put together 12 hits as Dine was 3-for-3 and Millas 3-for-4. Kamadulski and Smalle each had one hit and one RBI.

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Kahoks slam Maroons

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Talk about your Maalox moments.

Belleville West coach Chuck Hasenstab had to be seeking some kind of relief Tuesday afternoon at Arthur Fletcher Field in Collinsville.

Hasenstab watched the Maroons jump all over Kahoks ace Kenny "Big Country" Lutz for five runs in the top of the first inning. But then the Kahoks came roaring back for a 14-6 victory.

Actually, it may have been some medicine that caused Lutz to be off his game in the opening inning.

"Kenny took a couple of aspirin and I think it upset his stomach," Collinsville baseball coach Steve McFall said. "He struggled a little bit. Even so, he has had a tendency to struggle in the

PREP BASEBALL

first inning. He's kind of had a little first-inning blues and we've known that."

Lutz's stomach settled down to the point that he eventually retired 10 straight batters and was a perfect 4-for-4 with a pair of home runs — the first over the left field fence and to right-center field.

"I'd have to say that (Lutz) is in a league of his own right now. He's so strong," Hasenstab said. "We didn't make very good pitches either, though. Everything that (starter) Todd (Baltz) threw was up in the strike zone, and against good hitters, you're not going to get away with that."

Collinsville (16-7, 6-3) blew the game open in the bottom of the fourth. Lutz led off the inning with a solo shot to right. The Kahoks added five more runs in the inning.

Belleville West fell to 11-6 overall and 5-3 in the Southwestern Conference.

"I was very happy with the way we battled back," McFall said.

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SPORTS

Just an average player Sonnenberg credits Fletcher's coaching for bringing out the best in him

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Ray Sonnenberg described himself as an average player that played for the great 1947-48 Collinsville High basketball team.

The 1947-48 Kahoks squad was 27-1 when it lost to Marion 65-50 in the quarterfinals at the state tournament. The team featured all-state senior Sam Miranda and junior Norm Schaulat, who garnered all-star honors after the 1948-49 season.

"I've said this a lot of times. We went to school with the best kids, with the best teachers and we undoubtedly had the best coach," said Sonnenberg, who lives in Belleville today. "We had a lot of fun. (Coach Vergil) Fletcher taught us values that our kids were raised by."

Sonnenberg has the utmost

respect for Fletcher. Sonnenberg's relationship with Fletcher is a special one.

"I was 16 years old in the fall of my senior year. My father got killed in an accident within two or three blocks of the high school on Vandallia Street," Sonnenberg said. "We were practicing and someone came in and told Fletcher what happened. He gave me the keys to his car and said, 'Go on and go down to the hospital.' Unfortunately, my father got killed."

"Fletcher was like a father to me in absentia. He took me to the state tournament. When I went into the service in 1962, I had two brothers in high school. I went out to see Coach before I left and he said the things he said to me was 'Don't worry about them. I'll take of them until you get back.' Those little things are

"I think it was Fletcher's persistence and ability to persuade you to try to become better than what you thought you could become that made him so good."

Ray Sonnenberg
Collinsville graduate on coach Vergil Fletcher

the things that made you love the guy."

Sonnenberg also liked Fletcher because Coach gave him confidence. Sonnenberg played in 64 varsity ballgames and averaged 8.3 points per

contest. He finished his career with 532 points.

"He had a way of getting the best out of kids and he was no-nonsense," Sonnenberg said, who spent 30 years working at the Belleville YMCA before retiring in 1989.

"My contribution to the team was I worked hard. I didn't really have a lot of talent," Sonnenberg said. "In fact, one of the businessmen in town told Fletcher I would stumble across the 10-second line and if (Fletcher) could make me into a basketball player, (the businessman) would buy him a car. If that is not right, then I stand corrected. I think because Fletcher had patience with me and worked with me, I became a good high school basketball player."

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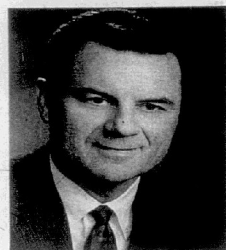
better than what you thought you could become that made him so good."

After high school, Sonnenberg received a football scholarship to attend the University of Illinois. However, the big campus life didn't appeal to him so he decided not to attend the university after a short stay.

He ended up receiving a football scholarship for St. Louis University, but soon found himself without a scholarship when the college dropped the football program. After that, he tried out for and made the St. Louis University basketball team and picked up a basketball scholarship to finish out his schooling.

From 1959 to 1969, he worked at the YMCA.

"I loved it at the YMCA," he said. "It was the perfect job for me."



Ray Sonnenberg played for the 1947-48 Collinsville High basketball team that made the state quarterfinals.

Sonnenberg's part-time job put him on the field with NFL stars

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

What started out as a way for Ray Sonnenberg to earn some extra income parlayed into an interesting career.

Sonnenberg, a 1948 graduate of Collinsville High, spent 11 years as a head lineman in the National Football League before stepping down from the position after the 1978 football season.

It was almost out of necessity that he got involved in officiating. Before he knew it, he had opportunity to work at the professional level.

"We have a large family. We have two sets of twin girls and three boys," Sonnenberg said. "At that time, I was making about 90 bucks a week. I guess. In order to earn some extra bucks, I started refereeing CYO games and stuff like that. I got to the point where I liked

it and I was lucky to get people to help me. I got into the Missouri Valley, where I officiated (college) football and basketball."

"A guy scouting saw us at the Bluebonnet Bowl game and the NFL gave me an opportunity there. I've been lucky all my life. I have had good people help me no matter where I went and good things happened to me also."

One of those good things was being able to work in front of people he had known since once in a while when he officiated a St. Louis Cardinals game.

However, he often traveled to other cities to work games.

"The things I enjoyed was the friendship I had with the guys I refereed with," Sonnenberg said. "And the opportunity to meet people like Larry (George) Allen, John Madden and the guy down in Miami (Don Shula). There were a

lot of great people. Most all of them were really fine people. The players too, not that they didn't challenge you or cause you out some-thing. They were very, very good — guys like Johnny Unitas, Raymond Berry. Those people were your heroes. When you get to walk on the field with them, it is a thrill."

Sonnenberg's position as a head linesman was an exciting position on the field. It was his job to watch the referees and make sure every defensive backs. Sonnenberg was familiar with the position because he played end for the Collinsville High football team and played end at St. Louis University before school officials dropped the football program after his sophomore year.

His favorite game in 11 seasons as an official was an AFC playoff contest between the Miami Dolphins and Oakland Raiders in California.

"I think the lead changed hands a couple of

three times in the last six or seven minutes," Sonnenberg said. "That is when (Fred) Biletnikoff was an end. (Ken) Stabler was the quarterback. (Bob) Griese was the Miami quarterback. If I am not mistaken, the game was won on one of the last series of downs. I think Dave Casper caught the ball in end zone."

"I also remember Green Bay-Chicago games and Green Bay-Detroit games. They were big games and exciting games. I remember the Turkey Day games in the snow."

Sonnenberg's favorite player he enjoyed watching at the time was Starr.

"The combination of Raymond Berry and Johnny Unitas was amazing," Sonnenberg said. "Bart Starr, seemed to me, have the complete support, respect and attention of everybody playing on that team. I think when he called a play those guys really believed it would work. That is a big advantage."

Warrior Pride Stride 5-kilometer run set for June 13

The Warrior Pride Stride 5-kilometer run and 2-mile run/walk is set for June 13 at Granite City High School.

The 5K run begins at 9 a.m. and the 2K walk at 9:45 a.m. at the Fehling Road parking lot by the east entrance to the high school.

Registration fee is \$9 before June 6; \$11 on race day. T-shirts will be included for the first 300 entries.

The event benefits the Granite City High School track and field team.

For information, contact Richard Skirball at Granite City High School, 3101 Madison Ave., Granite City, IL 62240; or call 451-5808.

SPORTS BRIEFS

will compete against the state's 11 other region teams at the Finals, June 26-28.

The tryout fee is \$18, which includes a Prairie State Games souvenir T-shirt. Applications must be processed at the time of the tryout. Any athlete younger than 18 years of age must have his or her parent or guardian sign a waiver.

The tryouts and contact person for each of the teams are:

Basketball — Open Men (Jason Holmes — 659-1906); Open Women (Bob Emig — 632-1002)

Volleyball — Open Men (Rick Verdun — 656-7719 or 304-8188); Open Women (Missy Morsey — 377-6997 or 656-0485)

Scholarship Men (Jill Greenfield — 667-9412 at home or 667-6441 at work).

The 16 squad has compiled a 23-3-2 going into the Great Lakes Valley, and the Asics National Championship, to be held later this spring.

The 16s roster includes Christina Archibald, Kim Carpenter, Beth Hudnall, Kendra Lankon, Kelly Matsysk, Peggy Rupp and Kim Woolsey. Lynn Crawley is the coach.

The Momentum 14-and-under select team won the Belmo Blast 14 tournament, May 2 in Belleville. Momentum defeated Kirkwood in the championship match.

Members of the Momentum 14s are Tara Altmansberger, Hilary Bennett, Ashley Clapp, Lauren Hasenstab, Alicia Herzog, Jackie Morrison, Katelyn Panzau, Jennifer Spilman and Kelsey Warning. The coach is Rena Zenarosa.

on April 26. It was the Rangers' third victory against the Lightning season.

Two Rangers goals were scored by Casey Sonnenberg, with one by Ryan Eaker. Sonnenberg and teammates Troy Rupp and Adam Elke also provided excellent defense as goalkeepers. Other team standouts included Matthew Cannady, Corey Endicott, Chris Schmidt, Bryan Spa and Adam and Brad Schwarberg.

For more information, call 236-1768.

Golf tourney

The sixth annual Collinsville Rotary Golf Tournament is June 12 at the Fox Creek Golf Club near Edwardsville.

The 18-hole fundraising golf scramble is sponsored by the Collinsville Rotary Club.

Prize money totaling \$1,800 will be awarded to the top three finishers in each of three flights, according to tournament general chairman John Ostank.

Registration is \$75 per golfer. The event is limited to 36 four-player teams, a total of 144 golfers.

For entry information, call Ostank at 345-9265. Entry forms are also available at local golf clubs.

spective members are invited to attend.

Events include golf (scramble), a cookout (steaks and chicken) and plenty of prizes. Fees are as follows: Cookout & Golf, \$70; Golf only, \$50. Cookout only, \$25. There will be a shot gun start at 11 a.m. Please call the chamber office at 876-6400 to make your reservations. Reservations are due by May 18. Payment is due by May 22.

BAC softball camps

Belleville Area College softball coach Kathy Bernal will conduct two softball camps this August.

Both camps will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the college's Belleville campus, 2500 Carlyle Ave. The first camp, Aug. 10-12, is for girls in grades 5-8; and the second camp, Aug. 17-19, is for grades 9-12.

The cost of each camp is \$35. The limit per camp is 60 players. Checks should be made payable to BAC Softball Camp. For more information, call 235-2700, extension 271.

Soccer camps

The Southern Illinois Soccer League is hosting the Ultimate Touch International Soccer Camp, June 22-25, at the Fosses Soccer Fields in Collinsville. The day camp, with international coaches, is geared toward the serious soccer player ages 6 to 17. Proceeds benefit the SISL College Soccer Showdown. For information or an application, call Judy at 931-8207 or Carol at 692-1033.

Physicians offered

Saint Elizabeth Sports Medicine will be offering physicals for athletes from Granite City and Collinsville high schools.

Cost is \$25 for the physicals, which are good for one calendar year and are accepted by the Illinois High School Association.

For Granite City students, physicals are set for May 20-21, beginning at 6:30 p.m. each day, in the physical medicine department at the Wolf Building, 2100 Madison Ave.

For Collinsville students, physicals are set for May 27, July 28 and July 29 at 800 St. Louis Road, Collinsville.

For information, contact Saint Elizabeth Sports Medicine at 796-3943.

Prairie State Games

Elite teams in basketball, soccer and volleyball are now forming for the Southwestern North Region's 15th annual Prairie State Games scheduled for June 26-28 in southwestern Illinois.

There will be four teams — Open Men, Open Women, Scholastic Men and Scholastic Women — in each of the four sports. The Open division is for players beyond the 12th grade, while the Scholastic division is for players who are in grades 8-12 for the 1997-98 school year. A player must be either a resident of or attend school in the counties of Madison, Jersey, Calhoun, Bond or Fayette to be eligible for the regional team.

Players making the teams

Lutheran Day

The 22nd annual Lutheran Day at Busch Stadium will be May 25 (Memorial Day).

The Cardinals will play 1:15 p.m. against the Colorado Rockies, followed by exhibition games involving the four local Lutheran high schools, including Metro East Lutheran.

Tickets are \$11, and schools receive some of the proceeds for the games. For the four schools, school has 750 tickets available.

For information, call Sigmond Bohnet at 656-0043.

Momentum volleyball

The Belleville Momentum Volleyball Club's 16-and-under select girls team won its third tournament championship this season, taking the Belmo Blast 16 on May 3 in Belleville.

Softball tournaments

The Tomahawks Softball Club is sponsoring the following tournaments:

The Tomahawks Women's Open Fastpitch Softball Tournament, June 27 at Millstadt City Park. The entry fee is \$150 per team, with three games guaranteed (weather permitting).

The fourth annual Tomahawks Summer Sizzler Girls Fastpitch Softball Tournament, July 17-19 at Millstadt City Park. The entry fee is \$150 per team, with three games guaranteed (weather permitting).

For more information, call 538-7738.

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OBITUARIES

Thomas Johnson

THOMAS L. JOHNSON, 63, of Lehigh Acres, Fla. died Friday, May 1, 1998.

Mr. Johnson was born Dec. 30, 1934, in St. Louis. He was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn (Goodwin) Johnson; two daughters, Valerie Hampton and Vicki Timmons of Wichita, Kan.; one son, Jay Johnson of Collinsville; half brother, Gary Johnson; step-mother, Lucy Johnson; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Helen (Courtway) Johnson.

Services were Tuesday, May 5, at Thomas Chapel in Granite City. Burial was in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Robert Taylor

ROBERT C. TAYLOR, 61, of Granite City died May 11, 1998, at his residence.

Mr. Taylor was born Nov. 29, 1936, in Granite City. He was a member of the Moose Lodge 272 in Granite City and the VFW Post 7451 in Madison.

Survivors include his mother, Georgia Taylor of Granite City; three daughters, Deborah Taylor, Nicole Taylor, and Terry Taylor of Ohio; three sisters, JoAnn Kubik, Georgia Richards, and Linda Knox all of Granite City, and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Pickney, three brothers, Arthur Taylor, William Taylor, and John Taylor, and one sister, Barbara Valencia.

Services will be 10 a.m. today, May 14, at Mercer Mortuary in Granite City, with the Rev. Francis Tabangura officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Jonna Casey

JONNA B. CASEY, infant, of Granite City died May 5, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Survivors include her parents, John and Heather Vint-Casey of Granite City; one sister, Marissa Casey of Granite City; maternal great-grandparents, Phil and Shirley Wagner of Granite City; maternal great-grandparents, Phil and Shirley Wagner of St. Louis and Russ Wagner of Jacksonville, Fla.; paternal great-grandparents, Fred and Mary Murphy of Granite City; and Alice Wyatt of Murphysboro.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville with the Rev. Allen Redfern officiating.

Orbie McNew

ORBIE L. "TOMMY" MCNEW, 66, of Granite City died May 3, 1998, in St. Louis.

Mr. McNew was born Oct. 16, 1931, in Carterville. He was a U.S. Army supply sergeant, who served in Korea and Vietnam. After retirement from the Army, he worked for eight years at "Lanter" in Madison as a courier. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge 1128 in Granite City, Amvets Post 204 in Granite City, and the American Legion Post 113 in Granite City.

Survivors include his daughter, Tracy Anders of Tampa, Fla.; one son, William McNew of Granite City; two sisters, Lucille Barwick of Farmington, Mo., and Rose Warren of Granite City; two brothers, Don McNew of Granite City, and Ray McNew of Nashville, Tenn.; and two granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Emma (Griffith) McNew; and three brothers, James McNew and Vernon McNew, and Paul McNew.

Services were Wednesday, May 6, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Paul Eastwood officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in Carterville.

Memorials may be made to the D.A.V. or the American Cancer Society.

Marcella Ryan

MARCELLA "MAC" RYAN, 61, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998. She was born Oct. 11, 1936, in Norcross, Minn.

Mrs. Ryan was a floral designer with Willis Flowers, and was a member of the Word of Life Tabernacle and AKA Queenie on CB Radio.

Survivors include her husband, Donald Ryan Sr.; one son, Donald Ryan Jr.; one daughter, Ruth Stevenson; Linda Rorie of Granite City; one brother, David Porter of Pontoon Beach; one sister, Pauline Barracks of Pontoon Beach; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Violet (Porter) Ryan; and one brother, Lyle Porter Sr.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be in Wanda Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Mary Latham

MARY L. "MONK" LATHAM, 73, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Mrs. Latham was born March 13, 1925, in Latham, Mo.

Survivors include her husband, Everett Latham of Madison; three daughters, Rose Stinson of Hollywood, Calif., Rosalind Latham and Renee Anderson of Madison; six sons, Willie Hatter of Detroit, Mich., Charles Hatter of St. Louis, Mo., Ray Hatter of Madison, Mo., Bobby Ray Miles of Little Rock, Ark., Ronald Latham of Madison, Mo., and Randy Latham of Atlanta, Ga.; three sisters, Sufonia Daniels of Roseville, Mo., Inez Bryant of Milwaukee, Wis., and Carmel Miles of Little Rock, Ark.; two brothers, Charles and Novis Monk of Milwaukee, Wis.; 18 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be Friday, May 15, at Southern Missionary Baptist Church in Madison, with the Rev. Edward Williamson officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Cemetery.

Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel handled the arrangements.

Mike Firtos

MIKE J. FIRTIOS, 79, of Washington, Mo. died Tuesday, May 12, 1998.

Survivors include his son, Michael Firtos of Dallas, Texas; and two daughters, Karen Wentzel of Imperial, Mo., and Ann Kanjani of Madison, Mo. One brother, Les Firtos of Granite City; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be Friday, May 15, at Nieburg-Vitt Funeral Home in Washington, Mo.

John Perry Sr.

JOHN C. PERRY SR., 77, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born Oct. 20, 1920, in Leaden, Mo.

Mr. Perry retired from the Ford Motor Co. as a millwright, was a member of the First United Pentecostal Church in Granite City, and was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel (Cross) Perry; one son, John Perry Jr. of Granite City; one daughter, Judith Chaboudy of Granite City; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Nellie (Wormack) Perry.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today, May 14, at the First United Pentecostal Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Kenneth Reeves officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the D.A.V. or the American Cancer Society.

Everett Nasalroad

EVERETT A. NASALROAD, 77, of Edwardsville, formerly of Madison, died Tuesday, May 12, 1998, in Maryland. He was born Oct. 28, 1920, in Okla.

Mr. Nasalroad was owner of Ed's Lock and Key in Madison, was a member of the Tri-City Shrine Club in Granite City, Venice Social Club in Venice, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7451 in Madison, Tri-City Veter-

ans Inc. in Granite City, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and AMVETS Post 204 in Madison, and a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Donna (Knight) Nasalroad; three sons, Nicholas Nasalroad of Pontoon Beach and James Nasalroad of Troy; two daughters, Marcum of Edwardsville and Tammy Forrester of Pontoon Beach; one brother, David Nasalroad; one sister, Ruth Stevenson; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Noah Nasalroad and Edith Nasalroad; one sister, Ruth Suzi.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today, May 14, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Services will be at 9 a.m. Friday, May 15, at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. Tim Lewis officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Edward Kofahl

EDWARD C. KOFAL, 76, of Granite City died May 12, 1998, at Edwardsville Care Center East in Edwardsville.

Mr. Kofahl was born June 11, 1921, in West Eminence, Mo. He was retired from Local 633 Carpenters Union as a carpenter. He was a member of the D.A.V. in Kansas City, Mo., and a U.S. Marine veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Eva (Edmundson) Kofahl; three sons, Terry Kofahl of Glen Carbon, Steven Kofahl of Granite City, and Edward Kofahl of Albuquerque, N.M.; two daughters, Dianna Palmer of Rockwell, Texas, and Vivian Hryck of Collinsville; three sisters, Judy Hutchinson of Granite City, Betty Parks of Rockford; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar and Mary (Blake) Kofahl; and two brothers, James and William Kofahl.

There will be no services because the wife is devoted to his care. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Werner Chapel handled the arrangements.

George Smolar

GEORGE A. SMOLAR, 65, of Edwardsville died Tuesday, May 12, 1998, at Edwardsville Care Center in Edwardsville.

Mr. Smolar was born Dec. 24, 1932, in Granite City. He was retired from Granite City Steel as a maintenance foreman. He was member of the St. Boniface Catholic Church of Columbia, Mo., and a U.S. Navy Korean war veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ann Smolar; one son, John Smolar of Staunton; two daughters, Amy Clawson of Granite City and Michael Smolar of Heights; one brother, Gus Smolar of Brautwood, Mo.; one sister, Florence Smolar of St. Louis; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gus and Helen (Chick) Smolar; one brother, Joe Smolar; and three sisters, Helen Huthings, Mary Newman and Edna Walden.

Services will be today, May 14, at St. Boniface Catholic Church, with the Rev. John Corrado officiating. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the St. Boniface Church or school.

Irwin-Scott Chapel handled the arrangements.

Samuel Burch

SAMUEL B. BURCH, 46, of Edwardsville died Sunday, April 5, 1998, in Granite City. He was born May 1, 1951, in St. Louis.

Mr. Burch was employed with Granite City Steel as a shift manager.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia (Smith) Burch; his parents, Leroy and Wilma Burch; two daughters, Amy Warren of Hartford and Gretchen Paolini of Collinsville; one son, Ryan Higgins of Arkansas; two stepdaughters, Alicia Higgins of Troy and Kris Higgins of Edwardsville; three sisters, Teri Pangel of Collinsville, Vessa Blanton of Baton Rouge, La., and Nedra Kerns of St. Louis; and two grandchildren, Dominic Warren of Hartford and Christopher Paolini of Collinsville.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Kevin Burch; and one sister, Vanessa "Bibi" Mullis.

Services were Thursday, April 9, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. He remains were cremated.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Malinka Antonoff

MALINKA (SEMERDJIAN) ANTONOFF, 60, of Belleville, formerly of Granite City, died Saturday, May 9, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Belleville. She was born June 26, 1917, in Sanbudo, Turkey.

Services were Wednesday, May 13, at St. Cyril and Method Orthodox Church with the Rev. Andrew Moulton officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the St. Cyril and Method Orthodox Church.

Richard D. Carper

RICHARD D. CARPER, 64, of Pontoon Beach died Monday, May 4, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Quincy. He was born June 26, 1934, in Quincy.

Services were Thursday, May 7, at Werner Chapel with Rev. Ivan Redfern officiating. A memorial service will be from 5-6 p.m. on Thursday at the chapel. Mr. Carper's body will be cremated.

Memorials may be made to the Richard D. Carper Memorial Fund.

Jonna Casey

JONNA B. CASEY, infant, of Granite City died May 5, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville with the Rev. Allen Redfern officiating.

Delphina

DELPHINA (MARTINEZ) DEERING-CAULLEY, 79, of Fairmont City died Saturday, May 9, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Granite City.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Kassy Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. David Wick officiating. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Belleville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the American Heart Association.

William Earnhart

WILLIAM E. EARNHART, 66, of Cahokia died Saturday, May 9, 1998, at Collinsville Care Center.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Maplewood Church of Christ in Cahokia, with the Rev. Dewayne Ray officiating. Burial will be in Cahokia Cemetery in Belleville.

Memorials may be made to the Camp Ne-Teh-Christians Youth Camp or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Braun Colonial Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Larry Garner Sr.

LARRY D. GARNER SR., 51, of New Douglas died Wednesday, May 6, 1998, at his residence.

Services were Saturday, May 9, at Leick Funeral Home in Livingstone, Mo., with the Rev. Louis Kulawski officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery in St. Louis.

Memorials may be made to the Garner Family.

Stanley Golab

STANLEY J. GOLAB, 83, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Private services were held Monday, May 11, at Kassy Mortuary in Fairview Heights.

Memorials may be made to the St. Elizabeth's Church Building Fund, 2301 Pontoon Road, Granite City, Ill. 62040.

Services were Wednesday, May 13, at St. Cyril and Method Orthodox Church with the Rev. Andrew Moulton officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the St. Cyril and Method Orthodox Church.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be in Wanda Cemetery.

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Irene Hackett-Or

IRENE HACKETT-OR, 64, of Madison died May 8, 1998, in St. Louis. Mrs. Hackett-Or was born Oct. 24, 1941, in Granite City.

Services were Monday, May 11, at United Presbyterian Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Jeffrey Jahn officiating. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials may be made to the Scleroderma Association of Missouri, P.O. Box 411371, Creve Coeur, Mo. 63141.

Irwin Chapel in Granite City handled the arrangements.

Arthur Hattersley Sr.

ARTHUR E. HATTERSLEY SR., 81, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Mr. Hattersley was born Oct. 11, 1916, in Norman, Minn.

Services were Monday, May 11, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. James Hahn officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Irwin Chapel in Granite City handled the arrangements.

Audrey Holland

AUDREY (YOUNG) HOLLAND, 73, of Granite City died May 3, 1998, at Alton Memorial Hospital.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Kevin Strope officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Larry Knox

LARRY E. KNOX, 47, of Granite City died May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating.

Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Virgil Mercer

VIRGIL E. MERCER, 80, of Bland, Mo. died Sunday, April 26, 1998, at his residence.

Burial was April 28, in Sunset Hills Cemetery.

Elmer Miller

ELMER E. MILLER, 81, of Granite City died May 7, 1998, at his residence.

Services were Saturday, May 9, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Mark Maynard officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the Cardinal Glennon Hospital and Shriners Hospital, or the Hospice of Southern Illinois.

J.D. Odum

J.D. ODUM, 74, of Yuma, Ariz. died May 2, 1998, in Phoenix, Ariz. For the family's request, the remains were cremated.

John Perry Sr.

JOHN C. PERRY SR., 77, of Granite City died Sunday, May 10, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born Oct. 20, 1920, in Leaden, Mo.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 14, at the First United Pentecostal Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Kenneth Reeves officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens.

Carl Rozum

CARL R. ROZUM, 73, of Granite City died Saturday, May 9, 1998, at his residence. He was born Oct. 10, 1924, in Edwardsville.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Weber Funeral Home in Edwardsville, with the Rev. R.G. McFarlane officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of Madison County.

Marcella Ryan

MARCELLA "MAC" RYAN, 61, of Granite City died Friday, May 8, 1998. She was born Oct. 11, 1936, in Norcross, Minn.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be in Wanda Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Gladys Steinhauer

GLADYS (SHORR) STEINHAUER, 84, of Granite City died May 4, 1998, at St. Paul's Health Center in Richmond Heights, Mo.

Services were Thursday, May 7, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City, with the Rev. William Fisherkeller officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the Missouri State Bar Association.

Wilburn Webb

WILBURN S. WEBB, 78, of Granite City died May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Services were Monday, May 11, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Bill Owen officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Anthony Zedolek

ANTHONY J. ZEDOLEK, 78, of Granite City, formerly of Collinsville, died Friday, May 8, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born March 1, 1920, in Collinsville, Mo.

Services were Tuesday, May 12, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. William Fisherkeller officiating. Burial was in St. John Cemetery in Collinsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

Knart plans to take advantage of new stores

By Dennis Grubaugh
Telegraph staff writer

Knart Corp. plans to convert its local stores to the "Big Knart" format.

The move is part of a plan that could boost job hopes of workers in the bankrupted Venture chain.

Managers at both the Edwardsville and Alton Knart stores said Monday that they expect substantial hirings to accompany the planned conversions throughout the St. Louis market. The three-month transformation will begin in June.

"It will be a drastic change in the appearance of the store. This isn't just bringing in a couple of counters and setting them up," said Tom Hamm, manager of the Edwardsville store at 2220 Troy Road.

The conversion includes a new layout for numerous departments and a centralization of consumable products in one area, to be referred to as "The Pantry." All of the improvements are aimed at increasing the customer's access and convenience, a corporation spokesman said.

Hamm said the store will initially hire 35 to 50 people, the majority of them full time. He said the new employees are expected to be part of a team

that will also work on the conversion of several area Venture stores into Big Knarts.

Knart is negotiating to lease Venture locations from Kimco Realty Corp., a real estate investment trust that has an agreement to purchase Venture's leaseholds pending before U.S. bankruptcy court.

Knart has said it does not expect to lease all the Venture stores, and more people feel it is unlikely it will want the Alton Venture location at 2600 Homer Adams Parkway, which is within view of the Alton Knart store.

Dennis Williams, assistant manager of that Alton Knart, said his store will need 50 to 60 workers, and welcomes applications from Venture employees.

"We've been instructed that if a Venture person comes in, we're more than happy to consider hiring them," Williams said.

Edwardsville manager Hamm said many of the new employees will be kept as full-time associates after the conversions.

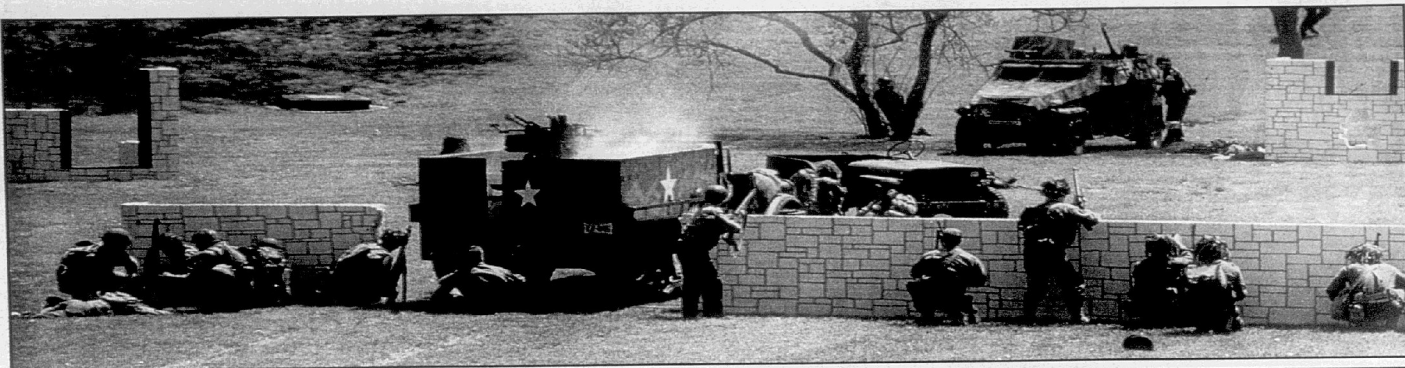
Knart has said it will be a lot of good job opportunities for high school and college students —

for that matter, anyone," he said.

Conversion of the Knarts is supposed to occur throughout the St. Louis region. Stephens said 787 of Knart's 2,118 stores have been converted. The three-year program started in the Chicago area and is expected to be done by the year 2000.

The program calls for relocating consumables — such things as snacks, trash bags and light bulbs — to one central part of the store. Other departments will be made more convenient. For instance, the women's department will be realigned so it is near the children's department, which, in turn, will be near the consumables area. There will also be expanded food items and more refrigerated food items.

PEOPLE



The good war

Battle honors America's best

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Although the guns fell silent more than 50 years ago, several St. Louis area men and women want no one to forget. During perfect weather April 24-25, the Armed Forces Museum of St. Louis and numerous area re-enactors staged a battle at Jefferson Barracks National Park.

The two-day event recreated the fierce combat of 1944-45 as American and Allied forces slugged their way across Europe in the face of stubborn German resistance. "That tribute is the best we can do for the men and women who served in the worst war that affected more lives, and involved more people than any other war," Capt. Carol Venable, head of the Armed Forces Museum, told assembled spectators.

The scene last month was similar to those replayed in 1944-45, from D-Day to the war's end in Europe.

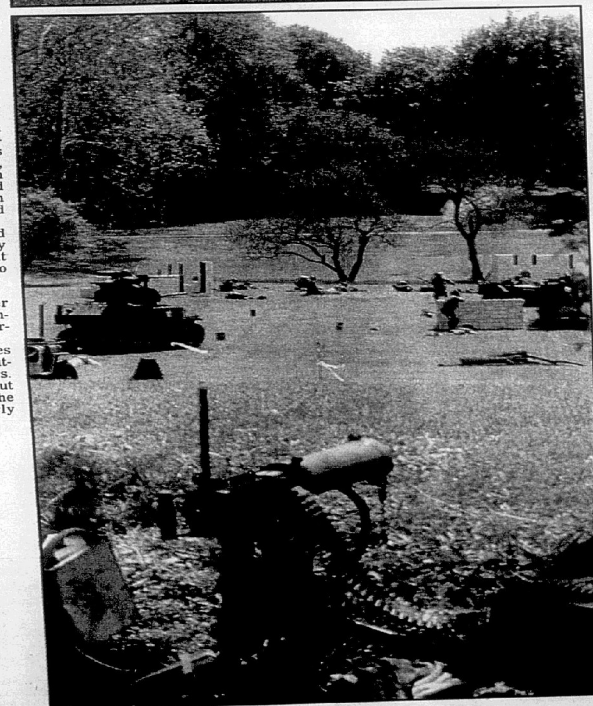
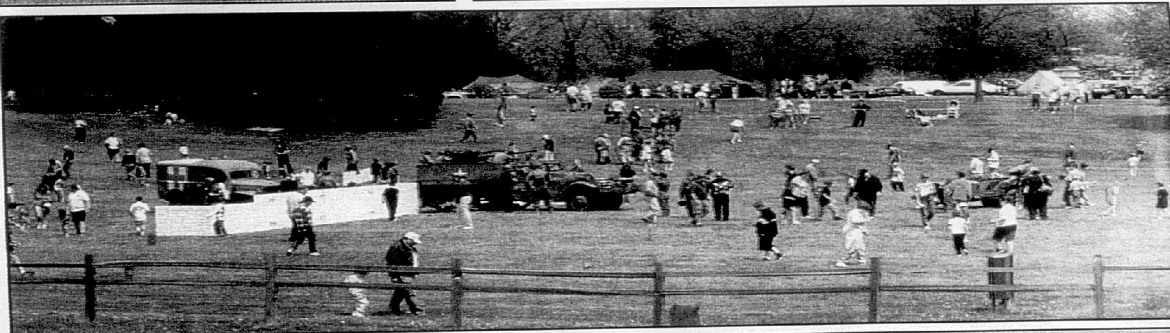
"For about three years and seven to eight months, day after day, this scene was repeated throughout Europe and other places in the world," Venable said.

In the re-enactment — a "standard battle scenario," Venable called it — veteran German forces, armed with little more than rifles, grenades and a single armoured vehicle, tried to defend a position against well-armed and equipped American, Canadian and British forces determined to drive them from the field.

Allied soldiers advanced down a gentle slope. They were supported by a scout tank, a jeep, and two armoured vehicles.

In the woods, a .50-caliber machine gun kept up a constant chatter to keep the Germans' heads down. The Americans and Allies eventually wore down the outnumbered German defenders. Both sides took "losses," but by the end of the fight, the German squad was utterly defeated.

Photos
by
Scott
Kelly



Clockwise from left, a weary German soldier reenactor smiles tiredly at his family as he exits the battlefield. A machine gunner's view of the battlefield. The reenactors portraying Canadians fired this .50-caliber machine gun early in the battle to help soften up the Germans. Some of the hundreds of spectators search the battlefield for souvenirs. One of the museum's prized tanks. American troops advance on German positions. German troops line up before battle. In the real war, ambulances were kept busy transporting the wounded to aid stations.

WEDDING



Angela and Jason Nichols

Chism — Nichols

Angela Lynn Chism and Jason Paul Nichols were married on Saturday, March 14, at Cedarview General Baptist Church in Pontoon Beach. The Rev. Greg Dickerman performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Patricia and James Chism Sr. of Granite City.

The groom is the son of Linda and Terry Nichols of Mitchell. Maid of honor, Naomi Nichols Siedhoff, attended the bride. Hannah Nichols was the flower girl. David Nichols served as best man. Alex Nichols Siedhoff was the ring bearer.

Ushers were Jim Chism Jr. and Danny Nichols. A reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall followed the ceremony.

The couple is currently residing in Mitchell.

ENGAGEMENT



Alissa Slater and Michael Lipchick

Slater — Lipchick

Alissa Slater, the daughter of Wanda and Michael Hendrix of Granite City, and Michael Lipchick, the son of Becky and Jerry Lipchick, also of Granite City, are engaged to be married.

Slater, a Granite City resident who graduated from Granite City High School, is a reservationist for Trans World Airlines in St. Louis.

Also a graduate of Granite City High School, and of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville as well, Lipchick is the front office manager of the Best Western Westport Park Hotel in Maryland Heights, Mo.

A May 23 wedding is planned at Holy Family Church in Granite City.

Method helps families cope with disagreements

Every family has disagreements. Allowing children to help find solutions empowers them to solve future conflicts, said Rachel Schwarzenbruber, a family life educator with the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service.

Although parents have the final say on family issues, they can help children air views and take the responsibility for choices.

When family members disagree, Schwarzenbruber suggests a five-step formula for resolving the conflict.

Step one is to explore the problem. Encourage children to describe their own feelings rather than placing blame on the other person. Also, allow the other person to state the situation from his point of view. Make sure that everyone has adequate opportunities to describe their feelings.

Next, brainstorm possible solutions. Accepts everyone's suggestions and try to find at least three potential solutions. "Don't eliminate any solutions yet that seem silly or impractical," she said. "Sometimes, the unusual idea leads

to a usable solution."

The third step is to consider each solution. Together, consider the positive and negative results of each suggestion.

Next, decide as a family which will be the best choice. Agree to try that solution for a set period of time.

For step five, after trying the solution discuss whether it was satisfactory for everyone. When family members know they'll have a chance to reevaluate solutions, they'll be more likely to give them a chance.

This formula for resolving conflicts in the family can be used for large and small disagreements. Keep in mind, too, that the process doesn't have to take a long time. When the family becomes comfortable with the method, it will become easier to use.

One important benefit of finding and evaluating solutions is that every one, including children, has the chance to participate. When allowed the opportunity, children gain skills and learn how to negotiate and make decisions. These skills will serve them well.

Home Leaguers meet for study, treats



Maxine Green

The Home League Women met Tuesday morning in the Salvation Army Hall. Captain Colip led the group in a Bible study of the third chapter of Proverbs. The lesson was on love, loyalty and commitment.

In addition to Captain Colip, those who attended were Ernestine Hahn, Gerta Bradley, Evelyn Bringer, Evelyn Miles, Exie McKeel, Margie Szerzinski, Joyce Moran, Jo Wilkins, Myrtle Howell, Doris Nelson, Mildred Lovejoy, Cleo Slusher, Marie Verbruyck, Celia Wright, Evelyn Wimberly, Luziel Woten, Scott, Thelma Howard, Josephine Bodie, Ruth Rupprecht, Dorothy Castleman, Naomi Russel, Pat Freese, Mildred Freese, Liz Griffin, Darlene Robinson, Nina Hull, and Maxine Rutter.

A lunch, topped off with cherry pie, was provided. As a special treat, the next meeting will be a lunch at the Country Buffet. For transportation, call 451-7959.

The Fidelis Class of the Second Baptist Church met Monday afternoon in the home of the teacher, Mildred Cochran. The opening prayer was given

by Ruth Stagner. Ollie Richardson gave a devotional and read a poem, "When I Can't Sleep." Members repeated the 23rd Psalm and sang "Surely Goodness and Mercy Will Follow Me." Esther Wilson read a poem, "Because You Prayed" Refreshments were served to Ruth Stagner, Myra Grote, Esther Wilson, Ollie Richardson, Amy Toney and the hostess.

Calvary Baptist Church, 3000 Washington Avenue, will have special program at 7 p.m. Sunday. In concert will be Lady Dana Clifton and her niece, 8-year-old Emily Gardner, from Nashville, Tenn. The public is invited to attend the service and enjoy the beautiful music.

Calvary Baptist Church's Ruth Class held its May meeting in the home of Ilene Badgett. Phyllis Knight led the opening prayer, which was followed by the secretary's report, given by Ruth Dagon, and the treasurer's report, given by Pat Wallis. Norma Ross spoke on "My Only Prayer" (taken from Reader's Digest). They discussed taking stuffed toys and old jewelry and cookies to be used in Vacation Bible School, slated for June 14-19. Dorothy Watkins reported sending six cheer cards, and also led the games.

Prizes were won by Ilene Badgett, Norma Ross and Ruth Dagon. Others present were Pat Wallis, Phyllis Knight, Bernice Boyer and Lois Bivins. The June meeting will be at the Tomahawk Campgrounds in Pat Wallis' trailer home near Pocahontas. There will be a barbecue and pot luck, and the husbands will be invited.

The Bunco Club met in the home of Melodie Bettis Tuesday evening. Edna Bennett won first prize, Carlene White-

head won second and Phyllis Higgins won third. Cindy Naughton won Snake Eyes, and Kathy Feldt won Booby Prize. Others present were Margaret Busby, Debbie Vincent, Robbie Wilson, Linda Arnold, Sally Kirksey and Vicki Royce.

The "Salute to Veterans" flag display will be presented on Memorial Day, May 25, from 9 to 4 p.m. If you want to present your deceased veteran flag for the display, you must take it to the office (Sunset) by Friday. Call 931-1420 or 797-6717 for further information.

The Homemaker's Class held its April meeting at Pizza World. A game was played and a prize awarded to Emily Hapopian. Others enjoy pizza refreshments were Carolyn Collier, Marge Hatfield, Janice Stanton, Donna Bryant, Paula Linville, Louise Sullivan, Marge Borth, Kay Andersen, Sherrill Clinard and Tina Lyons.

Silver dollar award — On April 7, Randy Vollmer, left, president of the Granite City Kiwanis Club, presented Ellen Voyles, chairwoman of the Independent Reading Program in Granite City and principal of Niedringhaus School, 50 silver dollars to be presented to winners who read 100 or more books each year through the sixth grade. Individual presentations will be done later at each local school. The Kiwanis Club's emphasis is on helping young children and donating time and funds to support local projects in the area.



19 new gardeners from area graduate from Extension school

Nineteen Master Gardeners from Madison and St. Clair counties recently graduated from the University of Illinois Extension's Master Gardener Training School.

They join 100-plus active Master Gardeners in supporting the work of the Extension's horticulture program. Graduates are available to answer questions from homeowners on

the topics of vegetable gardening, ornamental plants, small fruits, tree fruits, plant pathology, plant identification, environmental problems, herbicide use, insect control, soils and fertilization, annuals and perennials, and turf.

Master Gardeners are available to answer questions in the Madison-St. Clair Extension Unit offices from 9 a.m. to

noon Monday through Friday. Call the Madison office at 692-7700; the St. Clair office's phone number is 236-8600.

Walk-ins are welcome in the Madison office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and in the St. Clair office Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Recent graduates include Ronda Anson and Robert

Decker, both of Maryville; George Bridgewater and Joann Michael, both of Highland; Ann Ellis and Rebecca Steiner, both of Godfrey; Steven Kosowski, Jean Noll, Benna Phillips and Connie Simburger, all of Edwardsville; Mary Ann Miller of St. Jacob; Craig Freidiger of Collinsville; Kathy True of Glen Carbon; and Melvin Unterbrink of Alton.



Law and order

—Belleville Area College recently held a graduation ceremony for Session 68 of the Police Academy. Eric M. Kary, left, receives his graduation certificate from Kenneth Joseph, a member of BAC's Board of Trustees. Kary serves with the Madison Police Department.

Eagles Auxiliary welcomes new members, officers

The April 14 meeting of the Eagles Auxiliary was opened by President Mildred Boyd. All officers were present.

The motion was made and approved to accept the re-enrollment of Loretta Rose. Investigating chairperson Katy Kostoff reported favorably on six applications.

The Ritual Team initiated Rebecca Curran, Darla Taylor, Vickie Cottrell, Judy Cottrell, Hilde Few, Melba Fricker, Edna Cease, Helen Hutton, Katherine Wood and Crystal Hale. President Boyd welcomed the new sisters and introduced her officers and the members of the Ritual Team.

A thank you letter was received from the American Cancer Society for the auxiliary's donation in memory of Eleanor Amsler's husband.

Thank you letters were also received from the Park Pre-School Program, the Tri-City Association for the Handicapped, Coordinated Youth (for a donation), St. Jude's Hospital (for a donation in memory of Past President Mary Parker) and the Grand Aerie (for the auxiliary's Gold-



Pictured above with Eagle Auxiliary President Mildred Boyd are new members of the Auxiliary that were initiated on Feb. 10. They are Marcia Warren, Rhonda Niles, Kelli Mann, Delores Taft, Christy Ann Kincer, Neva Benko and Dixie Knott.

An Eagle Grant for Meals on Wheels.

A letter was read from the fire department asking for help with its Fire Safety Education program for children.

A motion was made on the

floor to donate \$300 to the Fire Safety Education program.

Flo Stokes will be excused from the next meeting due to a Cub Scouts meeting.

Susie Rogers was present and won the jackpot. Good of

the Auxiliary was Nina Jackson. She won both prizes.

After the meeting was adjourned, refreshments were served by Katie Kostoff and her committee.

1620 TREE SERVICE 1719 ILLINOIS GARAGE SALES

1665 WALLPAPERING

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62040-4 FAMILY GARAGE Sale Furniture, doors, closets, misc. 15000
Sat. 15/6, 7am to 2pm 1632 Spots

62041-4 Family Garage Sale lots of items 47200 Vincent
May 15th 8-2pm and May 16th 7-11am 1632 Spots

62040-2 FAMILY MOVING SALE Sat May 16th at Lakeview 15000
Furniture, appliances, clothing Honda scooters (like new) 15000
Tools, lawn mower, car & hoop, punching bag, small office computer, lots of misc. 15000
May 16th 7-11am 1632 Spots

62040-4 Family Sale 5am-1pm 1808 Spring, May 16th 15000
Furniture, appliances, and clothes, dishes, jewelry, furniture, 15000
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62040 YARD SALE #3 Colston, Washburn 15000
Furniture, lawn mower, 15000
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62040 Yard Sale 3336 Colston May 16th 8-2 AB 15000
Furniture, lawn mower, clothes, book and misc. 15000
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62040 BIG SALE Fabric, furniture, lawn mower, books, misc. 15000
16 3120 Rodger Fr. train, 15000
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62040 YARD SALE Fr. 5am-1pm 2122 Johnson 15000
Furniture, lawn mower, knacks etc. 15000
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62040 Huge Sale, Clothing, furniture, Campers, Appliances, 2041
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02040.FAMILY YARD
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Fleas Market,
Craft Fair and
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Sat May 16th
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Hope Lutheran
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02050.YARD SALE. 816
Arlington Ave. Madison.
Sat. May 17. 9 a.m. - 12
p.m.

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GRANITE CITY, Saturday, May 16th, 10am-Noon. Children's clothes, furniture, and miscellaneous. 2574 Stratford Lane, 1000-1001.

62040 2157 Hamilton dr. May 14 & 15, 1am-apr. May 16, 10am-12pm. 2574 Stratford Lane, 1000-1001.

HUGE SALE May 14, 15, 2000 no early sale! 1173 Lola beach rd. 1000-1001. 10am-12pm. Toys, Sevens, Beanie Babies, VCR, towels, porcelain dolls, home decor, etc. 1000-1001. Children's clothes 7-12, books, toys, collector's puzzles, much more!

62040 LARGE Yardsale, lots of clothing, furniture, and more. Friday, May 15th, Saturday, May 16th, 10am-12pm. 1000-1001.

62040 BIG Yardsale, lots of kids' clothes, lots of furniture, books, toys, 2338 E 24th Ave. 1000-1001. May 14-17, 10am-12pm.

62040 Big Yardsale, lots of books and ends. May 16th, 11:23a Meridian.

62040 LARGO YARDSALE, lots of furniture, home decor, etc. Thurs & Fri. 2013 York St.

62040 LARGE Yardsale, lots of furniture, home decor, etc. 16th, 8:00am. Maternity. Infants, books, girls' clothes, toys, etc. 1000-1001. Washer, baby items, etc. 1000-1001.

62042 SAT May 16th 10am.
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62044 ROLLING MEADOWS
 Neighborhood garage sale,
 Wednesday, May 16th, 10am-12pm.
 Directions 159 to Maryville W.
 Main St. to Rolling Meadows
 Subdivision.
62045 3FAMILY MOVING
 sale, Saturday, May 16th,
 10:00-2:30 Whitewater, Hwy
 111 to McDonalds Engineers
 Unit, 10000. Items include
 boy mulcher, mower, garage
 door opener, junior clothing,
 1987 Buick Wildcat, 1987 Buick
 800 10-16, Adidas Jacket,
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